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[illegible] Committee on Military Affairs [illegible] Gov. Winthrop & Dudley [illegible] Feb. 1634, [illegible]

Wyman's "Charlestown" states that he was Master of the Ship "Talbot". An original member of the First Ch. Aug. 27. 1630. Freeman 1631. No. 3. of the Charlestown Ch. 1632. Selectman. Deputy to Genl. Court. & Capt. of the Castle 1635. He m. Christian Copper (Cooper?) who was No. 17. of the First Ch. 1630. and No. 4. of the Charlestown Ch. 1632. She m. 2d. Nich. Eason (Easton?) The inventory of the Est. of Capt. Thos. Beecher, taken July 29. 1657. Amt. of Est. £485.

1701. Elizabeth "Beeyer" (Beecher?) m. Thos. Bathrick, of or near Cambridge.

See pp. 50, 67, 94,
" Rev. Truman Beecher, p. 12, 14,
Mr. Reuben Beecher Hughes, b. Jan. 2
1820, See p. 27.
Trowbridge: pp. 29-30,

GENEALOGY

OF A

BRANCH

OF THE

BEECHER FAMILY,

COMPILED BY

REUBEN BEECHER HUGHES,

NEW HAVEN,

CONN.

November, 1898.

NEW HAVEN:
HOGGSON & ROBINSON, PRINTERS, 852 CHAPEL STREET.
1898.

A desire to know more of our ancestors has resulted in forming this Genealogy of a part of the Beecher Family from early history, leading down from the first emigrants to the West Haven and Southbury line of Beechers, collected and compiled by R. Beecher Hughes, assisted by Mrs. H. C. Bennett, of Southbury, grand-daughter of Alanson Beecher, and also by Mrs. G. H. Fowler, of New Haven, grand-daughter of Nathaniel Beecher.

Information has been obtained from many sources, including Colonial Records, Historical Works, Town Records, Probate Records, History of "Ancient Woodbury," and other Towns, Family Genealogies, Private Records, Obituary Notices, and Family Records.

The following letter from the Rev. Luther Fitch Beecher, D. D., of Brookline, Mass., relating to the Beecher name previous to the emigration of the John Beecher family to Boston, in 1637, and to New Haven, in 1638, is thought to be of sufficient interest to insert it here as an introduction to this History of a branch of the Beecher Family.

BROOKLINE, MASS., Feb. 3, '98.

R. B. HUGHES:

"The Beecher" name can be traced beyond the "Isaac, 1623, of your list." Not to speak of the Beecher of King David's time in Jewish Military History. My first record takes me back of the emigration to America in 1637, to Sevenoaks, County of Kent, England, where we find them living in "Chancellor House." Having the right to display a "Coat-of-Arms," and in after years connected, through several generations, with the Army or the Government Service. Three "Tablets," commemorative of their name and services, are now found in the North Tower of the Speldhurst Episcopal Church, certificate copies of which are in the possession of Mrs. Gaston, copies of which are

among my records. I have a copy of the letter from the last owner of the estate, written to Gov. Gaston some four or five years since, any or all of which are at your service if they are of any interest to you.

I have, also, a history of much interest of the Beechers, located for many years at "Castle Martyrs," in the south-west part of Ireland, occupying three large estates, of which "Castle Martyrs" is the largest.

Miss O'Neil, cotemporary with Edmund Keene and Mrs. Siddons, was on the London stage then, under the management of the Kendalls. In 1819 she was married to Sir William Beecher, an Irish member of the British Parliament.

Sir Henry Wrixon Beecher, baronet, now occupies the estate, having two hundred tenants, and much more of like history and biography, much of which must be new and of interest to you.

No published "Beecher Genealogy" exists, so far as I know. I have a copy of the Head-stones, in detail and in extenso, of Nathaniel Beecher, my G. Grand Father, David Beecher, my Grand Father, and David Beecher, my Father, each of interest along genealogical lines.

Much of your letter is new to me, as relating to another branch growing out of the five sons of Isaac, (1623), at which point Mrs. Gaston's branch and our branch take leave of each other.

I shall hope to hear from you again, and as often as it is your pleasure to write.

Very Sincerely,

LUTHER F. BEECHER.

The Mrs. Gaston referred to in the above letter was the wife of Gov. William Gaston, of Mass., the daughter of Laban Beecher, of Roxbury, (now Boston), who was the son of Benjamin Beecher of New Haven, (familiarly called "Capt. Ben."), who lived so many years on Chapel street. He was "town agent, and had care of the poor."

The motto inscribed on the "Coat-of-Arms" which the Beechers were "given the right to display" was "*Bis vivi qui bene*"—"He twice lives who lives well."

THE BEECHER FAMILY,

AS FOUND IN HISTORY.

Mr. John Beecher, with his wife and son Isaac, from County Kent, England, embarked, with a company of emigrants, from that and the two adjoining counties, and arrived in Boston on the 26th of June, 1637. Boston, in its infancy, welcomed all Puritan emigrants. Those who arrived at this time received a warm welcome. Many of these emigrants were not content to settle in the vicinity of Boston, owing, in part, to a difference in religious opinions.

About the first of September, a party was formed to make a tour of exploration. Soldiers in pursuit of Pequots had passed over the course intended, clearing it of hostiles, and learning something of the country. Coming to Quinnipiac, Theo. Eaton, with his overland explorers, were so well pleased with it that when he set out, a little later, to return to Boston he left seven of his men to remain through the winter and prepare for the arrival of the rest of the company, intending to settle and begin a plantation here the next spring.

John Beecher was one of the seven men left to winter here. He died during the winter. His bones were found in the year 1750 in digging for the cellar of the stone house on the corner of George and Meadow streets, this being near the place where they passed the winter. This house is now standing (1898). His son, Isaac Beecher, was old enough to take the oath of fidelity in 1644. This Isaac Beecher was the common ancestor of all who bear the name of Beecher in New Haven and vicinity. He was born in England in 1623.

Another account of the first emigrants says: "A Mr. Beecher, with his wife and child, from County Kent, England, embarked in the first ship which brought emigrants to Newhaven." (The first settlers came overland). This was probably the company which embarked from Boston in the spring of 1638. John Beecher died, as above stated, in the winter before the vessel sailed. His wife was persuaded by the other emigrants to continue with the company, with her son Isaac.

The main body of the settlers arrived in New Haven harbor in April, 1638. Isaac was then fifteen years old. From him all the New Haven families of the name are said to have descended, and from whence the name has spread throughout the surrounding country, numbering, among the direct descendants, the Dr Lyman Beecher Family and the West Haven branch of the Beecher Family. It is said that for her services as physician and midwife the first Mrs. Beecher had a portion of land voted to her by the colony of New Haven, which remained in the family until quite recently (1879). On a part of it the New Haven Hospital now stands, about one-half mile west of the old Green.

EXPLANATIONS.—The figures preceding the name indicate the order of children in the family, the figure after the name indicates the generation. b. for born, d. for died, m. for married, ch. for children, y. for years, mo. for months.

Isaac Beecher 1, son of John, who arrived in Boston June 26, 1637, and died the following winter, as above stated, was b. in England in 1623, d. 1690, had three wives, and five sons by wife Hannah Beecher.

Ch. 1. John 2, b. 1645.

2. Joseph 2, b. 1647.
3. Isaac 2, b. Aug. 8, 1650.
4. Samuel 2, b. Oct. 17, 1652, m. Sarah Sherwood July 2, 1691.
5. Eleazur 2, b. Aug. 8, 1655, m. Phebe Prindle Nov. 5, 1677.

Probate Records, vol. 2, pp. 62, 63 and 64. Isaac Beecher, b. 1623, d. 1690. Made Will Sept. 26, 1689, in which he mentions sons John, Joseph and Isaac, and bequeaths to each certain parcels of land described, and to Samuel the sum of five pounds. Also, to Eleazur one acre of meadow at that place called Springfield. Also, four acres running across the road that leads to West Farms. Also, about five acres land in that field called Ford's Field. Also, make and constitute my son Joseph Beecher my sole and only executor, and give him the remainder of my whole estate, and require him to provide for my loving wife, Mary Beecher, during her life, well and comfortably, and after her decease to get all the aforesaid legacies performed. Signed Nov. 12, 1690, in Court. Inventory includes house-keeping goods, farming tools, cattle, 7 tracts of land, amounting to 61 acres. Apprized £126.

John Beecher 2, son of Isaac, b. 1645, d. Dec. 5, 1712, m. Elizabeth. Will proved Jan. 1, 1713.

Ch. 1. John 3, b. Oct. 9, 1670, d. young.
2. Mary 3, b. Feb. 23, 1672, m. Benjamin Wilmot Feb. 13, 1700.
3. Elizabeth 3, m. John Dunbar 1700.
4. Johanna 3, b. July 21, 1677, d. unmarried Oct. 24, 1718.
5. Jemima 3, b. Feb. 11, 1682.

6. Joseph 3, b. Feb. 13, 1684. m. Sarah Morris Aug. 3, 1710.
7. Sarah 3, m. Nathan Benham.
8. Ebenezer 3, b. April 12, 1686, m. Hannah Mix.
9. John 3, bapt. April 6, 1696, m. Mehitable Tuttle Dec. 7, 1721.

John Beecher 2, son of Isaac, b. 1645, made Will Jan. 16, 1712. Gives to his son Joseph Beecher the house he now dwelleth in and one-half of three acres next to Samuel Ford's land. His wife Elizabeth to occupy house her natural life. Also, Joseph to pay ten pounds to three surviving daughters in equal portions. Also, give my two sons, Ebenezer and John Beecher, my new dwelling house, barn and outlying orcharding. Bounds described. Also, mentions daughters Mary Wilmot, Elizabeth Dunbar, Johanna Beecher and Sarah Benham, to have in equal portions twenty pounds. Appoints wife Elizabeth and son Joseph Beecher to execute will.

Witness Dec. 3, 1712. Inventory in Court Jan. 8, 1713, £308. Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 107.

Will of Elizabeth Beecher (wife of John 2), proven in Court Sept. 3, 1722. Son Ebenezer appointed extr. Wills that the estate be equally divided between her two daughters, Mary Wilmot and Elizabeth Dunbar, and grand-daughters Hannah Wilmot and Mercy Benham. Also mentions grand-son Eliphalet Beecher and grand-daughter Elizabeth Dunbar. I do appoint my son Ebenezer to be executor.

ELIZABETH BEECHER.

Court of Probate, held in Newhaven, Nov. 17, 1718. Will of Johanna Beecher approved, in which she ordains

and appoints her mother Elizabeth, wife of John Beecher, executrix of her last Will and testament.

Inventory exhibited in Court Nov. 26, 1718, amounting to £63 14s 11d.

Joseph 3. b. Feb. 13, 1684, m. Aug. 3, 1710, Sarah Morris. Had son Eliphalet 4, b. May 31, 1711, m. Sarah Bradley Dec. 27, 1732.

Ch. 1. Eliphalet 5, b. Sept. 29, 1733.
2. Hannah 5, b. Aug. 25, 1736, d. Aug. 11, 1738.
3. Sarah 5, b. Dec. 10, 1737.
4. Sarah 5, bapt. April 5, 1741, d. March 3, 1783.
5. Reuben 5, b. March 9, 1742.
6. Daughter 5, m. Sherman.

Ebenezer Beecher 3, b. April 12, 1686, son of John 2, m. Hannah, daughter of Caleb and Hannah Mix.

Ch. 1. Ebenezer 4, b. Jan. 15, 1714, m. Lois Johnson 1743, daughter Lois 5, b. March 12, 1744.
2. Hannah 4, b. Dec. 23, 1716, m. Benjamin Pardee Nov. 24, 1747.
3. Joseph 4, b. Nov. 20, 1718, m. Elizabeth Alling January 10, 1740.
4. Sarah 4, b. March 8, 1720.
5. Thomas 4, b. April 20, 1722, had son Thomas 5, b. Oct. 16, 1746.
6. Caleb 4, b. April 18, 1724, m. Abigail Wheeler Sept. 15, 1746, had daughter Elizabeth 5, b. Aug. 28, 1751, had daughter Anna 5, d. April 17, 1752.
7. Lydia 4, b. March 16, 1726.
8. David 4, b. June 21, 1728.
9. Eliphalet 4, b. Nov. 29, 1730.
10. Eunice 4, b. 1732, m. Bradley.

Ebenezer Beecher m. 2d wife Elizabeth.

Capt. Ebenezer Beecher, b. April 12, 1686, made Will Oct. 14, 1760, proven in Court Feb., 1763. Appoints wife, Elizabeth Beecher, extrx., and sons Ebenezer, Joseph, Thomas, Caleb and David Beecher, extrs. Will mentions wife Elizabeth and sons as above, also, five daughters, viz.: Sarah Baldwin, Lydia Johnson, Elizabeth Alling, Hannah Terrell and Eunice Bradley. Inventory Feb. 20, 1764, £2653 9 6. Final distribution May 3, 1765.

John Dibble, extr. of Will of Widow Elizabeth, deceased, exhibited same in Court September, 1769. Will mention son John Dibble, daughter Eunice Bradley, grand-daughter Mary Dibble, grand-daughter Elizabeth Beecher and grand-daughter Anna Beecher, daughter of Caleb and daughter of Abigail Beecher.

John Beecher 3, bapt. April 6, 1696, son of John 2, m. Mehitable Tuttle, Dec. 7, 1721, son John 4, b. Sept. 5, 1722, m. Mary Wilmot, b. Sept. 5, 1726, Mary Wilmot d. Feb. 18, 1803.

John Beecher 4, called "Capt. John," d. Nov. 22, 1793.

Ch. 1. John 5, b. Oct. 1, 1744, m. Mary Lyon, 1779.
2. Eli 5, b. 1748, m. Sarah Kimberly.
3. Thaddeus 5, b. 1749, d. Jan 17, 1823.
4. Mary 5, b. 1751, d. July 4, 1786, m. Benjamin Cutler.
5. Sarah 5, b. 1755, d. Sept. 13, 1795.
6. Mehitable 5, born 1756, m. Elisha Mix.
7. Content 5, b. 1761, d. Nov. 16, 1784.
8. Rhoda 5, b ——, m. Joseph Downs.
9. Anna 5, m. William Cutler.

Mehitable, widow of John 3, m. Jan. 13, 1726, Barnabas Baldwin of Milford and had eight children.

Eli Beecher 5, son of John 4, m. Susan Kimberly, b. 1746, d. 1798. He was drowned in New Haven harbor May 15, 1789.

Ch. 1. Benjamin 6, b. July 4, 1774.
2. Mary 6.
3. Susanna, b. 1777, d. 1851.
4. Sarah, b. 1781, d. Jan. 30, 1852, m. Thomas Atwater.
5. Thaddeus, b. 1788, d. Sept., 1822, m. Marie Woodward 6, John 6.

Benjamin Beecher 6, called "Capt. Ben," b. July 4, 1774, d. Jan. 7, 1858, m. Welthea Parmelee, b. 1775, d. 1863.

Ch. 1. Eli, b. 1795, m. Caroline Wallace.
2. William Parmelee, b. 1797, d. 1859, unmarried.
3. Henry, b. 1799, m. Harriett Woodward.
4. Grace Marie, b. March 7, 1801, m. Eli B. Austin.
5. John Edward, b. Feb. 14, 1803, m. Jeannette Thompson.
6. Laban Smith, b. Jan. 13, 1805, m. Frances A. Lines.
7. Wm. Parmelee, b. 1806, d. Oct. 24, 1859.
8. Benjamin, b. 1807, m. Huldah Foster Yale, 1828.
9. Wealthy Ann, b. 1808, m. Elmer Townsend.
10. Elizabeth Alling, b. Dec. 9, 1810, d. July 12, 1873, m. Andrew L. Kidston.
11. Mary, b. 1813, m. Charles H. Colton; 2d, Hon. Frederick Croswell; no children.
12. Edward Collins, b. 1815, d. young.
13. Sarah Parmelee, b. 1817, d. 1874, m. Rev. Isaac Tuttle, D.D.

14. Susan, b. 1819, m. Hamilton L. Smith.
15. Julia, b. 1821, d. unmarried.

John Beecher, called "Capt. John," b. Sept. 5, 1722, d. Nov. 22, 1793, age 71, m. Mary Wilmot, b. 1726, d. Feb. 18, 1803. Son John 5, b. Oct. 1, 1744. Sup. m. Mary Lyon May 27, 1779. Son Thaddeus, b. 1749, m. but d. without issue.

Capt. John in 1760 bought the Exchange Building lot, cor. of Church and Chapel streets. After his death his son Thaddeus had his store and dwelling there. After the death of Thaddeus the place was sold to the Eagle Bank. Thaddeus bought and set out the elm sappling at the corner of the Green, which now shades the Town pump with its spreading branches.

Joseph Beecher 2, (son of Isaac 1, b. 1647) had two wives and son Joseph 3, b. Feb. 13, 1670.

Ch. 1. Alice 4, b. Jan. 28, 1698.
2. Joseph 4, b. Nov. 22, 1698, m. Sarah Ford May 15, 1729. He was a clockmaker and supposed built the first clock in New Haven, used in the tower of Yale College for more than fifty years.
3. Lydia 4, b. 1700, d. 1725.
4. Hezekiah 4, b. June 14, 1703, d. Sept. 21, 1751, m. Hannah Punchard, March 23, 1739.
5. Nathaniel 4, b. March 7, 1706.
6. Eliphalet 4, b. May 31, 1711.

Joseph 4, son of Joseph 3, b. Nov. 22, 1698, m. Sarah Ford May 15, 1729.

Ch. 1. Joseph 5, b. Feb. 9, 1729.
2. Moses 5, b. Feb. 9, 1733.
3. Timothy 5, b. Feb. 2, 1735.

4. Abel 5, b. Nov. 17, 1737.
5. Titus 5, b. July 5, 1740.
6. Amos 5, b. June 10, 1743.

Joseph 4, Joseph 5, Amos 5 and Abel 5 moved to and settled in Wolcott before the year 1770.

Joseph 5, m. Esther Potter and settled in the north-eastern part of Wolcott. He was a reliable active man in society and church many years.

Amos 5 was also a prominent man in society like his brother Joseph.

Nathaniel 4, son of Joseph 3, b. March 7, 1706, was a blacksmith, d. 1786, leaving wife Sarah and

Ch. 1. Sarah 5.
2. Lydia 5, b. 1736.
3. David 5, b. April 5, 1738.
4. Anna 5, unmarried, and
5. Hezekiah 5, b. Jan. 1, 1753.

Nathaniel 4, gave to his son David his house, blacksmith shop, tools, &c. Hezekiah 5 was also a blacksmith. He lived and worked with his brother David near the cor. of George and College streets. In 1774 he assisted in organizing the 2d Com. Gov. Foot Guards.

David 5, had five wives. The third, Esther Lyman, b. Feb. 17, 1742, was the mother of and died two days after the birth of Lyman Beecher, the father of the Renowned Beecher Family. David 5, m. fourth wife, Elizabeth Hoadley; fifth wife, Mary Louis Elliot.

Nathaniel 4, m. Sarah Sperry, said to be 2nd wife.

Ch. Sarah 5, Lydia 5, Anna 5.

David 5. [illegible]

David 5 and Hezekiah 5, b. Jan. 1, 1753, m. Dorcas Strong, 1778. David 5, b. April 5, 1738, blacksmith, had 12 children, all but 4 died in infancy. He m. 1, Mary Austin, Oct. 18, 1764; 2, Lydia Camp Morris, May, 1771; 3, Esther Hawley Lyman, March, 1775; 4, Elizabeth Hoadley; 5, Mary Louis Elliot. Children who survived:

Ch. 1. Polly 6.
2. Lydia 6.
3. David 6, b. Aug. 14, 1773.
4. Lyman 6, b. Oct. 12, 1775.

David 5, blacksmith, was a man of strong, positive character and attained celebrity in all the country round. David had a son, David, Lyman 6, b. Jan. 14, 1769, and daughter Mary 6, b. Dec. 2, 1770. He had other children: Mary, Esther, Lydia; and sons, David 6, Lyman 6, prematurely born Oct. 12, 1775.

Lyman Beecher 6, graduated at Yale College in 1797; studied with Dr. Dwight; licensed to preach in 1798; married and settled in the ministry in East Hampton, Long Island in 1799; in 1810 he removed to Litchfield, Conn. Dr. Beecher m. Roxanna Foote of Guilford in Sept., 1799. She was a woman of extraordinary talents, was born in 1775 and died Sept., 1818.

Ch. 1. Catherine Esther 7, b. 1800, the noted school teacher.
2. Rev. William Henry 7, b. 1802.
3. Rev. Edward 7, D.D., b. 1803.
4. Mary 7, b. 1805.
5. Harriett 7, b. 1807, died.
6. Rev. George 7, b. 1809.
7. Harriett Elizabeth 7, b. 1812, m. Prof. Stowe.

8. Rev. Henry Ward 7, b. 1814.
9. Rev. Charles 7, b. 1817.

By a subsequent wife Dr. Beecher had :

10. Rev. Thomas 7.
11. Isabella 7, m. John Hooker.
12. Rev. Thomas 7, the Sailor Preacher.

Many of Dr. Beecher's thirteen children attained eminence as writers and ministers.

David Beecher 6, son of David 5, the blacksmith, had

Ch. 1. David Lyman 7, b. Feb. 6, 1806, lawyer in New Orleans ; no issue.
2. Luther Fitch 7, b. 1813 ; graduate Yale College, 1841; Baptist clergyman. Issue by third marriage resides in Brookline, Mass. (1898.)

Isaac Beecher 2, (son of Isaac 1), b. Aug. 8, 1650, m. Joanna, had

Ch. 1. Isaac 3, b. Oct. 20, 1680, d. 1708.
2. Ebenezer 3, b. Feb. 24, 1682.
3. Samuel 3, b. 1684, made Will May 20, 1760.
4. John 3, bapt. Oct. 6, 1689.
5. Abigail 3, b. Sept. 24, 1693.
6. Abiah 3, b. twin with Abigail. Abigail 3, d. Sept. 27, 1751, aged 58.
7. Jemima 3, b. Dec. 12, 1698.
8. Joanna 3, mentioned in 1728.

Isaac Beecher 2, b. Aug. 8, 1650, m. 2d wife Hannah. Probate Records, vol. 4, p. 17. Isaac Beecher b. 1650, d. 1712. Admr. estate granted to Hannah Beecher on her bond, May, 1712, vol. 4, p. 50. Admr. of above estate granted to Samuel Beecher, brother of ye sd. dec'd, and Hannah Beecher discharged from her bond.

Agreement was made June 3, 1712, with the heirs respecting the distribution of the estate in presence of witnesses.

JOSEPH PRINDLE,
JOHANNA BEECHER.

Vol. 4, p. 64. Samuel Beecher exhibited inventory of ye sd. estate. Approved house goods, 1 cow, 1 colt, 42 acres land, farming tools, crops on ground: £71 18 0.

The above Joseph Prindle, b. June 11, 1663, was brother of Phebe Prindle, wife of Eleazur Beecher, b. Aug. 8, 1655. Johanna Beecher b. July 2, 1677, d. unmarried. Was daughter of John Beecher, b. 1645. She was 35 years of age. Was niece of Isaac, deceased, and Eleazur Beecher.

Probate Records, vol. 3, p. 138, admn. of estate of Isaac Beecher, decd., b. Oct. 20, 1680, son of Isaac, b. Aug. 8, 1650, granted to Johanna Beecher, mother of ye sd. decd. Sworn in Court. Inventory Sept. 16, 1708. Mansion house with orcharding and home lot 3 acres, 15½ acres in Westfield, six other tracts 55 acres, housekeeping goods, cow, heifer, 4 swine, 1 pig, 9 sheep, carts, chains, yokes, rakes, forks, &c: £303 19 6. Appraizers sworn.

Samuel Beecher 3, b. 1684, son of Isaac 2, made Will May, 1760. He had by wife Hannah:

Ch. 1. Samuel 4, b. Aug. 30, 1714.
2. Rebecca 4, b. Dec. 15, 1715.
3. Isaac 4, b. ——, 1717.
4. Jonathan 4.
5. Amee 4, m. Johnathan Alling, Jan. 15, 1746.
6. Abigail 4.
7. Hannah 4, m. Enos Pardee, May 7, 1752.

In May, 1760, Samuel Beecher made Will appointing his wife Hannah Beecher and son Isaac Beecher, extrs. of Will. Mentions three sons Samuel, Isaac and Johnathan Beecher, and three daughters Amy Alling, Abigal Hitchcock and Hannah Pardee.

John Beecher 3, son of Isaac 2, bapt. Oct. 6, 1689, m. Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas and Abigal Barns, 1715.

Ch. 1. Isaac 4, b. 1716, d. Jan. 18, 1748, m. Mabel Atwater, daughter of Samuel Atwater, April 16, 1738.
2. Abigal 4, b. 1717, m. Dec. 21, 1743, Joseph Rowe, b. Oct. 7, 1718.
3. Jemima 4.
4. Experience 4, m. Joseph Beach.
5. Elizabeth 4, m. Joseph Parker.

Abigal 4 and Joseph Rowe had :

Ch. 1. Joseph 5, b. Sept. 27, 1744.
2. Ebenezer 5, b. Sept. 2, 1748.
3. Reuben 5, b. June 29, 1750.
4. Mary 5, b. Jan. 28, 1753.
5. Eunice 5, b. June 29, 1755.
6. Steven 5, b. Jan. 31, 1758.

Isaac Beecher 4, (son of Samuel 3) b. 1717, m. Mabel Hotchkiss, April 6, 1738.

Ch. 1. Jessie 5, b. April 20, 1741.
2. David 5, b. Aug. 16, 1743.
3. Abraham 5, b. Sept. 17, 1745.
4. Isaac 5, b. Dec. 13, 1748.
5. Thomas 5.
6. Amee 5.

7. Mabel 5, b. March 9, 1753.
8. Hezekiah 5, b. July 29, 1755.
9. Hannah 5, b. ——, 1757.

Isaac Beecher 5, b. Dec. 13, 1748, m. Hannah Ball, b. Dec. 13, 1753.

Ch. 1. Philo 6.
2. David 6.
3. Mary 6, b. July 3, 1775, m. Jan. 1, 1793, John Riggs, b. Dec. 22, 1771.
4. Polly 6.
5. Thirza 6.

Isaac 5 made Will dated May 9, 1789, proven Oct. 19, same year, names wife Hannah and brother Hezekiah, exrs.

Samuel Beecher 2, son of Isaac 1, b. Oct. 17, 1652, m. July 2, 1691, Sarah Sherwood.

Ch. 1. Ruth 3, b. 1692.
2. Mary 3, b. Nov. 16, 1693.
3. Ruth 3, b. 1695.
4. Sarah 3, b. Sept. 24, 1702.

Joseph Riggs m. Mabel Johnson Feb. 20, 1739. John Riggs, son of Joseph and Mabel, b. April 10, 1742, m. Elizabeth Hawkins. He died June 18, 1814. His wife d. Oct. 3, 1815.

Ch. 1. John, b. Dec. 22, 1771, m. Mary Beecher, dau. of Isaac Beecher, of Derby, who m. Hannah Ball, b. Dec. 13, 1753.
2. Mary 6, b. July 3, 1775, m. John Riggs Jan. 1, 1793. She d. Dec. 11, 1827.

As this record was not intended for a full Genealogy of the Beecher Family, we trace no farther the descendants of the first four sons of Isaac 1, 1623, our principal interest being centered in the fifth son, Eleazur, the ancestor of the West Haven Beechers, whose descendants we have traced down to the present time, as well as our limited means of obtaining information would permit.

Eleazur Beecher 2, b. April 8, 1655, (son of Isaac, b. 1623,) d. March 2, 1726, aged 71. Was early located in West Haven, and m. Phebe Prindle Nov. 5, 1677, dau. of William Prindle, who lived on the west side of Main street, near corner of Second Avenue, West Haven, (the site is still seen, 1888), she was b. March 16, 1657 : at the age of 20 m. Eleazur Beecher, aged 22. They had

Ch. 1. Hannah 3, b. June 23, 1679.
2. Nathaniel 3, b. Jan. 24, 1681.
3. Ebenezer 3, b. Dec. 25, 1682.
4. Eleazur 3, b. April 21, 1686.
5. Thankful 3, b. March 18, 1689.
6. Child b. and d. Dec. 31, 1690.
7. Obedience 3, b. ——, 1692.
8. Steven 3, b. May 18, 1695.
9. Isaac 3, b. April 7, 1698.

Eleazur Beecher 2, bought and exchanged with Benjamin Bunnell, July 2, 1684, ten acres of land in that part of West Haven, called West Side Farms, on west side of Main street, near corner of Union street. Bounded on the east by William Prindle, on the west by Peter Mallory, Jr., and north by Elm street, and south by Main street, in quantity ten acres, more or less.

New Haven Land Records, vol. 1, p. 248.

Here he built the house in which he lived and died.

Six children, subsequent to this date, were born here. He afterwards sold six acres of the rear, lying on Elm street. The house was a familiar land-mark, and well remembered by its ancient appearance, being of olden style, and having a large stone chimney in the center. The house was removed in 1896, the place having been purchased for the site of the present Catholic Church parsonage.

Will of Eleazur Beecher b. 1655. Probate Records, vol. 5, page 283. At a Court of Probate held in Newhaven, Monday, April 4, 1726. Present Judge Warham Mather, Joseph Whiting, Clerk. Nathaniel Beecher nominated exutr. of the last Will and testament of Eleazur Beecher, late of Newhaven, deceased, exhibited the said instrument in Court and approved for record, and said exutr. accepted trust committed to him before this Court. Will. In the name of God Amen. The third day of January, 1723. I, Eleazur Beecher, of Newhaven, &c., disposes of his property in the following manner and form. Imprimis. After just debts and funeral expenses are fully paid and satisfied out of my movable estate. I give and bequeath to Phebe, my dearly beloved wife, all my movable estate of what kind or sort soever.

Item. I give and bequeath unto the child of my daughter Obedience, deceased, five shillings. I give and bequeath unto the three children of my son Eleazur, deceased, forty shillings apiece. I give and bequeath unto my son Steven Beecher five shillings. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah Clark five shillings. Having already given to my son Nathaniel forty acres of fifth Division Land by deed in consideration of his granting and confirming about seventy acres of land at Pilgrims Harbor to my son Isaac Beecher. I esteem

that in full of said Isaac Beecher's portion, and therefore he shall not demand nor receive any more of my estate.

I give and bequeath unto my son Nathaniel Beecher all my real estate, whether housing, lands or meadows, both divided and undivided lands, to him, his heirs and assigns for ever: he, the said Nathaniel Beecher, to take care of and afford suitable maintainance to my beloved wife Phebe, so long as she lives or bears my name: and also take into his care and keeping my son Ebenezer Beecher, who I desire may always live with Nathaniel so long as he lives. I having given Nathaniel the more estate that he may carefully look after that impotent child. And my will is that if Ebenezer shall survive Nathaniel, Nathaniel's estate shall be at the charge of Ebenezer's maintainance, as the Judge of Probate in this county shall direct. Furthermore, I do constitute and appoint my sd. son Nathaniel Beecher the sole executor of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof, I have set my hand and seal in Newhaven the day and year above mentioned.

Witnesses appeared in Court of Probate April 4, 1726, and made oath to signatures of the above Instrument.

Nathaniel Beecher, exutr. of Will, exhibited inventory of sd. estate in Court, which was approved for record.

Among articles mentioned besides the usual household goods, are two cows, farming tools, and several parcels of land, amounting to fifty-one acres. The whole apprized at £147 10s. 4d.

NATHANIEL BEECHER, Executr.

JOSEPH WHITING, Clerk.

JOHN SMITH, }
SAMUEL CANDEE, } Apprizers.

Probate Records, vol. 5, page 324.

Hannah Beecher 3, b. June 23, 1679, m. Daniel Clark, (son of John), b. June 28, 1677. Had dau. Hannah Clark 4, Mary Clark, Eunice Clark and other children. Dau. Hannah Clark m. May 28, 1717, John Prindle, b. 1691, son of Joseph, b. June 11, 1663, nephew of Phebe Prindle, wife of Eleazur Beecher. Had son, William Prindle, b. June 27, 1718.

Dau. Mary Clark, b. 1711, m. George Clinton May 24, 1733. She died Feb. 28, 1737. Had dau. Obedience, b. March 25, 1734. Obedience d. June 31, 1738, and son David b. 1736, d. Aug. 17, 1742.

George Clinton m. 2d wife, Anna Hodge, Nov. 8, 1737.

The record of Eleazur Beecher and family connections, also his son Isaac and family, is taken principally from New Haven Town Records.

Nathaniel Beecher 3, b. Jan. 24, 1681, d. 1751. His wife, Hannah, also d. June 7, 1751. No records are found of his family. He had, by wife Hannah, sons Nathaniel, Jr., Isaac, Steven, and dau. Jostine. Jostine m. Daniel Bristoll, b. Oct. 15, 1702, son of Daniel Bristoll, b. May 4, 1671, d. May 15, 1728, m. Judith, b. 1672, d. July 21, 1746. Nathaniel also had dau. m. Royce, and had chil. Samuel and Barnabas Royce. John Bristoll, son of Samuel, b. Jan. 16, 1703, m. Mary Prindle Dec. 21, 1726; she was b. Feb. 24, 1702. Was dau. of Joseph Prindle b. 1663, and was sister to John Prindle who m. Mary Clark, dau. of Hannah Beecher Clark. Nathaniel Beecher 3, m. Hannah Clark, b. April 16, 1685, dau. of John Clark and sister of Daniel Clark, b. June 28, 1677, who m. Hannah Beecher 3, b. 1679. No Will or record of Nathaniel Beecher has been found. His widow, Hannah, made Will the day before her death, as is elsewhere recorded.

[Head-stone in West Haven Old Cemetery.]

Here lies the Body of

SERGENT DANIEL BRISTOLL,

Who died May 15, 1728,

Æ 57.

JUDITH WIFE OF DANIEL BRISTOLL.

Died July ye 21, 1746.

Æ 74.

The above Daniel Bristoll, b. 1661, had son Daniel, b. Oct. 15, 1702, m. Jostine Clark, dau. of Hannah Beecher Clark. They had son Daniel Bristoll, b. Sept. 22, 1730, son David Bristoll, b. June 20, 1734, and son Benjamin, b. April 26, 1736.

Will of Widow Hannah Beecher. John Bristoll, of Newhaven, exhibited an instrument in Court as the Will of Widow Hannah Beecher, ye sd. witnesses are sworn in Court, and ye sd. same accepted as the Will aforesaid for Record. Administration of Will annexed to ye sd. John Bristoll on his bond. We, whose names are annexed, being at ye House of Hannah Beecher, of the parish of West Haven, in Newhaven, late dec'd. On ye 6 day of this June, 1751, the day before she departed this life. Heard her declare and say that she wanted that her daughter Jostine Bristoll should have her moveable and state forever. She paying ye debts and charges, and she, her daughter, should have ye said also of all her lands and meadows during life, and then the sd. lands should be to said Samuel and Barnabas

Royce, two other grand chil., and the said widow desires them to take notice of it as her last Will and Testament.

JAS. THOMPSON, GEO. CLINTON, MARGARET SMITH, EUNICE CLARK, } Witnesses.

Vol. 6, p. 337.

HANNAH BEECHER, wife of Nathaniel, b. 1681, d. 1751, aged 70.

Nathaniel Beecher, Jr., 4 (son of Nathaniel, b. 1681), married wife Abigail. No record of children. He made will 1762 and gave his property to brothers and cousins, after providing for his wife Abigal.

Ear marks granted by Court to Nathaniel, Jr., April 2, 1756.

Widow Abigal Beecher 4 and Brother Isaac Beecher 4, nominated exrs. in ye last Will and Testament of Nathaniel Beecher 4, decd. Exhibited in Court, proved and accepted for record. Will—I give to my beloved wife, Abigal Beecher, the use of one-half of my house, barn and homestead during her natural life, and the remainder of my lot at Whitehounds Hill to be to her disposal. I give to my brother, Isaac Beecher, my lot of land at ye said Cove, so called, and also the remainder of the lot at Long Hill. Also, an acre and half meadow in the Neck, so called, he paying to brother Steven Beecher, decd., his heirs and to cousin Eleazur Beecher the legacies as I shall hereafter mention. I give to my cousin Isaac Beecher my house and barn and homestead, viz.: Half sd. homestead to him and his heirs forever, and after my wife's decease the whole of sd. homestead: only to cousin Steven Beecher so much of sd. homestead as to square with cousin Isaac Beecher's homestead, about half an acre more or less, which is to be reckoned to sd. Steven Beecher, as so much over and above his part.

I give to Cousin Steven Beecher, Obedience Trowbridge, Susanna Beecher and Mary Brockit five pounds to each of them, and also to cousin Eleazur Beecher, of New Milford, five pounds Conn. lawful money. Said legacies to be paid by brother Isaac within one year after my decease. Also, I give cousin Isaac Beecher one acre salt meadow in Springfield, so called, and what I have thus given, as above specified, I give to them and their heirs forever.

I appoint my beloved wife Abigal Beecher and brother Isaac Beecher to be the executors of this my last Will and Testament. Signed and sealed this Aug. 17, 1762. Proven June, 1768. Witnessed.

Isaac Beecher exhibited inventory of said dec'd estate in Court.

Household goods, house, barn and homestead, 4 acres at Long Hill, 1 acre salt meadow, 1½ acres meadow in old field, the Cove lot about 34 acres and 4 acres.

Total apprized £221 8 9.

July 4, 1768. SAM. SHERMAN, ISAAC KIMBERLY, } Apprizers.

Ebenezer Beecher 3, b. Dec. 25, 1682, was an imbecile. His father's Will left him in the care of his brother Nathaniel.

Eleazur Beecher 3, Jr., b. April 21, 1686, married and settled in Milford. Died 1711, age 25. Was farmer and blacksmith. He had by wife Elizabeth 3 children.

Ch. 1. Jerusha 4, b. 1706.
2. Eleazur 4, b. 1708.
3. Phebe 4, b. 1710.

He died 1711. Made no Will. Court appointed wife Elizabeth admx. of the estate and guardian to the three minor children and she gave bonds to Court.

[illegible] of Eleazur Beecher, was widow of Thos. Prebble Jr. — what was her maiden name. [illegible] Paul [illegible]

Eleazur 4, b. 1708, settled in New Milford and was mentioned in Will of his cousin Nathaniel of 1762; age 54.

Probate Records, vol. 3, page 277. Admn. of estate of Eleazur Beecher 3, granted to widow Elizabeth Beecher, on her bond with surety. Inventory taken in Milford April 23, 1711, and approved for record. Goods, clothing, blacksmith tools, 1 horse, 1 hog and land with crops and debts due. Apprized £164 2 3. Court appoints Elizabeth Beecher guardian to minor children and she gave bonds to ye Court.

No records have been found of Thankful Beecher 3, b. March 18, 1689.

Obedience Beecher 3, sup. b. 1692, d. before 1723. Was married and left dau. mentioned in Will of Eleazur Beecher 2, 1723.

Steven Beecher 3, b. May 18, 1695, m. Susannah Hale Feb. 25, 1720. He died 1750. Left widow, Susannah, and chil. 1 Susannah 4; 2 Mary 4, m. Brockit; 3 Obedience 4, b. Jan. 27, 1724, m. Trowbridge; 4 Steven, Jan. 4, b. March 2, 1725; 5 Isaac 4; 6 Joseph 4, b. Oct. 2, 1728.

Will of Steven Beecher 3, b. May 18, 1695. Son of Eleazur 2, b. 1655. Probate Records vol. 7, p. 664.

Court held August, 1750. Admr. on estate of Steven Beecher 3, dec'd, granted to Widow Susanna Beecher and to George Clinton of Newhaven in bonds of £2000.

Vol. 7, p. 728.

Admrs. exhibited inventory of estate of Steven Beecher, dec'd; accepted by Court and allowed for Record. Inventory includes the usual household goods, house and barn, and 1½ acres of land. All apprized at £946 17 0. Sworn in Court.

Vol. 7, p. 732.

Susanna Beecher, admt'x, and George Clinton, adm'r on ye said estate of Steven Beecher, dec'd, exhibited debts:

Charge of funeral expense, and admr's expense,	£220
Allowed Widow for mourning,	£20
Provision for family,	£30
For house-keeping, during life,	£72
Making in all,	£342
Whereof land, &c.,	604 17 0
	£946 17 0

Isaac Beecher 3, b. April 7, 1698, m. Elizabeth Trowbridge, dau. of Deacon Thomas, April 23, 1725.

Feb. 2, 1754, Susanna Beecher, Steven Beecher, Obedience Beecher, and Susanna, Jun., all of the parish of West Haven, sold to Isaac Beecher, Jun., of ye said parish, all their right and title to ¼ acre of Home lot, 4 rods wide, and 10 rods long, running lengthwise with sd. lot. Bounded south-easterly on ye sd. highway; south-westerly on ye sd. homestead of Nathaniel Beecher, and on ye sd. north and easterly side with lot belonging to ourselves. Signed,

SUSANNA BEECHER, STEVEN BEECHER,
OBEDIENCE BEECHER & SUSANNA BEECHER, JR.

New Haven Land Records, vol. 18, p. 331.

This is inserted to prove several points in the history of the Beecher Family.

THE PRINDLE FAMILY.

William Prindle m. Mary Disburrow Dec. 7, 1655.

Ch. 1 Phebe, b. March 16, 1657, m. Eleazur Beecher Nov. 5, 1677. Desborough.

2. John, b. Oct. 5, 1658.
3. Mary, b. March 8, 1660.
4. Ebenezer, b. Sept. 10, 1661.
5. Joseph, b. June 11, 1663, d. March 18, 1728.
6. Jonathan, b. June 7, 1665, d. June, 1667.
8. Sarah, b. Oct. 16, 1666.
9. Samuel, b. April 15, 1668.
10. Eleazur, b. June 7, 1669.
11. Hannah, b. March 10, 1671.
12. Joanna, b. Feb. 2, 1672, d. July 23, 1673.

Mary Prindle, b. March 8, 1660, m. John Roech Jan. 23, 1683.

Joseph Prindle, b. June 11, 1663, m. Mary Brown Aug. 19, 1686.

Ch. 1. John, b. about 1691.
2. Samuel, b. Nov. 11, 1693.
3. Joel, b. Jan. 28, 1696.
4. Hepsibah, dau. b. May 15, 1698.
5. Mary, b. Feb. 1, 1702.
6. Joseph, Jr., b. March 7, 1704.

John, b. 1691, m. Hannah Clark 4, May 28, 1717, dau. of Hannah (Beecher) Clark 3.

Ch. William Prindle, b. June 27, 1718.

Samuel Prindle, b. Nov. 11, 1693, m. Mary Smith, April 24, 1718.

Ch. Hester, b. Feb. 1, 1719.

Joel Prindle, b. Jan. 28, 1696, m. Jemima Benham Oct. 15, 1718.

Ch. 1. William, b. Oct. 2, 1719.
2. Joel, b. Jan. 16, 1726.

Mary Prindle, b. Feb. 1, 1702, m. John Bristoll, Jr., Dec. 21, 1726.

Joseph Prindle, Jr., b. March 7, 1704, m. Elizabeth Thomas, July 27, 1727.

Ch. 1. Betty, b. Oct. 17, 1728.
2. Elizabeth, b. Aug. 9, 1730.
3. Joseph, b. Feb. 14, 1732.
4. Charles, b. March 19, 1734.
5. Asahel, b. Oct. 27, 1736.
6. Mary, b. May 16, 1742.
7. Elijah, b. April 2, 1744.
8. Steven, b. Dec. 27, 1746.

TROWBRIDGE,

The Ancestors of Elizabeth, wife of Isaac Beecher, and Mary, wife of John Beecher.

William Trowbridge, the first, b. in England, m. Elizabeth Sellivant, March, 1657.

Ch. 1. Capt. William, b. Nov. 12, 1657.
2. Thomas, b. Oct. 2, 1659.
3. Elizabeth, b. Jan. 5, 1661.
4. James, b. March 26, 1664.

Capt. William, b. Nov. 12, 1657, m. Thankful Stow, dau. of Rev. Samuel Stow, of Middletown. She was b. May 5, 1654.

Ch. 1. Thankful, b. Sept. 25, 1687.
2. Experience, b. May 25, 1690.
3. Abigal, b. Nov. 4, 1693.

Thomas, b. Oct. 2, 1659, m. Abigal Beardsley, May 26, 1684. He was the first deacon of the Church in West

Haven, where he resided, until his death, in 1750, aged 91.

Ch. 1. Abigal, b. April 8, 1695.
2. Lydia, b. Dec. 16, 1697.
3. William, b. April 14, 1700.
4. Ebenezer, b. July 25, 1702.
5. Elizabeth, b. April 23, 1705.

Elizabeth[3] Trowbridge, b. Jan. 5, 1661, sister to Deacon Thomas, m. Peter Mallory, Jr., of New Haven, May 27, 1678, and had twelve children. Resided on Main street, West Haven, next to and land bounded on the east by Eleazur Beecher.

Abigal Trowbridge, b. April 8, 1695, m. son of Peter Mallory.

Lydia, dau. of Thomas and Abigal, b. Dec. 16, 1697, m. James Parker. No record of children has been found.

William Trowbridge, son of Thomas and Abigal, b. April 4, 1700, m., Jan. 18, 1724, Mehitable Blakesley.

Ch. 1. William, b. June 13, 1725.
2. Mehitable, b. Jan. 13, 1727–8, m. Titus Smith Jan. 18, 1744.
3. Elizabeth, b. Nov. 16, 1731.
4. Abigal, b. June 4, 1734.

Ebenezer Trowbridge, son of Thomas and Abigal, b. July 25, 1702, m. Hannah Brown Feb. 9, 1725–6.

Ch. Three—Hannah, Ebenezer and Sarah.

Elizabeth Trowbridge, b. April 23, 1705, m. Isaac Beecher March 17, 1726.
Record of children elsewhere.

No records of Mary Trowbridge, wife of John Beecher, have been found. It is believed she was a daughter of one of the descendants of Deacon Thomas Trowbridge's family, who, perhaps, married Obedience Beecher in 1744, b. in West Haven, Jan. 27, 1724.

Dau. Mary, b. 1745, m. John Beecher, 1766. Moved to Southbury in 1792; died at the home of her son, David, in 1827, aged 82 years.

Probate Records, vol. 7, page 644.

1st Monday, August, 1750. Wm. Trowbridge and Ebenezer Trowbridge, exrs. of ye last will of sd. Dea. Thomas, decd., presented will in Court, accepted and approved for Record.

In which he desires, as he is old and infirm, his children shall be allowed the cost of providing and caring for him. He desires that all of his movable effects be divided between my two daughters, after my wife's decease.

He also desires that all the remainder of his estate, including £60 for a lot I sold at Shingle Hill, be divided into seven parts.

Two-sevens to each of his sons, Wm. and Ebenezer, the other three parts to be divided equally between my daughters Abigal Mallory, Lydia Parker and ye heirs of Elizabeth, deceased. Names his two sons executors of his will. Ch. of Isaac Beecher.

Isaac Beecher 3 (son of Eleazur 2), born in West Haven, April 7, 1698, died in West Haven. The bell tolled for his death April 14, 1784, aged 86; m. his first wife, Elizabeth (~~Beardsley~~) Trowbridge, dau. of Dea. Thomas, March 17, 1726. She was b. April 23, 1705.

Ch. 1. Isaac 4, b. Jan. 8, 1727.
2. Elizabeth 4, b. Sept. 15, 1729.

3. Eleazur 4, b. Feb. 17, 1731, d. July 27, 1746, aged 15.

Elizabeth, first wife, d. sup. 1732. Isaac Beecher m. Jan. 11, 1738, second wife, Thankful Blakeslee, b. 1705, d. Jan. 14, 1786.

Ch. 4. Thankful 4, b. Nov. 11, 1738, m. Reed.
5. Desire 4, b. sup. 1740, m. Benham.
6. John 4, b. Sept. 26, 1744.
7. Phebe 4, b. twin with John.

Isaac's wife, Thankful Blakeslee, died Jan. 14, 1786, aged 81. Dau. Elizabeth, m. Clinton; dau. Phebe 4, m. Northrup; dau. Thankful 4, m. Reed.

Isaac Beecher 3, owned homestead containing 8 acres of land, situated on what is known as Ward's Corner on cor. of Elm street and Campbell avenue, West Haven. Here he lived and died.

Isaac 3 made will duly signed March 12, 1770, and appointed his two sons, Isaac Beecher and John Beecher, the executors of his last will and testament.

Will of Isaac Beecher of West Haven. Probate Records, vol. 14, pages 281, 282 and 313. Date of Will March 12, 1770. John Beecher, one of the exrs. of the last Will and Testament of Isaac Beecher, late of Newhaven, decd., exhibited sd. instrument in Court. One of the witnesses to which being sworn before this Court, the other before Daniel Lyman, Esq., the same is accepted and approved for Record; sd. exrs. accepts sd. trust and has given bonds accordingly.

Will of Isaac Beecher of West Haven. In the name of God. Amen.

I, Isaac Beecher of Newhaven, in the County of New-

haven, Colony of Connecticut, over twenty-one years, in usual health and sound of mind and memory. Yet sensible of my own mortality and that it is appointed to man once to die, do think it my duty to set my house in order by principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul to God, who gave it, and my body to the earth in decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my exrs. hereinafter named, and my worldly estate that I may die possessed of, after my debts, charges of funeral and charges of executing this my last Will are duly paid, I dispose as follows :

IMPRIMIS.

I give and bequeath to my dear and loving wife, Thankful Beecher, during her natural life, the use and improvement of the house and homestead where I live, being the one-half of the house and one-half of the lot, sd. half containing four acres ; having before given to my son, John Beecher, the other half said house and lot by deed.

I also give to my sd. wife all my movable or personal estate after the debts, charges and legacies hereafter named are first paid out of it, to her and to him forever.

Item. I give and bequeath to my loving son, Isaac Beecher, the sum of five pounds lawful money, which, with what I have given him, is in full of his portion of my estate.

Item. I give and bequeath to my four daughters, Elizabeth Clinton, Desire Benham, Thankful Reed and Phebe Northrop, twenty shillings lawful money (that is to say), to each of my said daughters five shillings lawful money, with what they have already had in full of their portion of my estate.

Item. I give and bequeath to my son, John Beecher, to his heirs and assigns forever, all the real estate that I

shall die possessed of: he not disturbing his mother in her improvement as above.

Item. I nominate, constitute and appoint my said two sons, Isaac Beecher and John Beecher, the exrs. of my last will and testament. And in confirmation that this my last will and testament, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 12th day of March, Anno Domino 1770, and in the tenth year of the reign of George, the third king, and signed, sealed, pronounced and delivered by Isaac Beecher, the testator, in presence of us witnesses, all signing in the presence of the testator and in presence of each other.

JOHN WHITING, CALEB FORD,
MARTHA FORD.

Will recorded 1770. Executed 1784. Probate Records, vol. 14, page 313, 371.

John Beecher, extr. of the last will and testament of Isaac Beecher, late of New Haven, decd., exhibited an inventory of sd. decd. estate, the same is accepted and approved for Record. An inventory of the estate of Isaac Beecher, late of Newhaven, decd., taken and approved by us the subscribers underneath.

4 acres land, being half the home lot, 6 per acre, ...	Lbs. 20	
12 at the Cove, 6 per acre, . . .	36	
12 Dry Cattle Swamp, 36 . .	18	
1 acre salt meadow at the head of the Cove,	5	
1¼ diked meadow, ...	5	
And movable estate as on file, . .	8	11
	Lbs. 92	11

JOHN BEECHER.

Sworn in Court.

Attest, WM. JOSEPH WHITING, Clerk.
SILAS KIMBERLY, SAMUEL CANDEE.

Isaac Beecher 4, b. Jan. 8, 1727, called Capt.. (son of Isaac 3, b. April 7, 1698) died Oct. 16, 1814, age 88, m. Feb. 14, 1751, Esther Hodge, b. 1729, d. Feb. 27, 1802, age 73. Children five daughters.

Ch. 1. Esther, b. March 7, 1752.
2. Sarah, b. Sept. 29, 1753, m. Merrills. d. 1812.
3. Elizabeth, b. 1755, m. Jeremiah Smith, b. 1743, d. 1834.
4. Ame, b. 1758, d. 1836 ; unm.
5. Lois, b. 1760, m. Joseph Prindle, great-grand-son of Joseph, b. June 11, 1663, (brother of Phebe Beecher), m. Mary Brown, Aug. 19, 1686, and grand-son of Joseph, Jun., b. March 7, 1704, m. Elizabeth Thomas, July 27, 1727, and son of Joseph, b. Feb. 14. 1732.

John Beecher 4, b. Sept. 26, 1744, (son of Isaac 3), d. Nov. 3, 1786, m. 1766, Mary Trowbridge, b. 1745, d. in Southbury, 1827, aged 82. Children born in West Haven.

Ch. 1. Nathaniel 5, b. 1767, d. March 27, 1827.
2. Ezra, 5, b. 1768, d. Dec. 14, 1820.
3. Mary 5, b. 1770, d. Oct 1, 1800.
4. John 5, b. 1772, d. unknown.
5. Alanson 5, b. 1775, d. May 3. 1860.
6. Thankful 5, b. 1778, d. April 15, 1871.
7. David 5, b. 1782, d. May 3, 1849.
8. Isaac 5, b. Feb. 8, 1787, d. May 8, 1792.

John Beecher 4, d. Nov. 3, 1786, leaving widow Mary and eight children. Isaac 5, b. three months after death of father.

Children of John and Mary Trowbridge Beecher born in West Haven.

Ch. 1. Nathaniel 5, b. 1767, d. March 27, 1827, m. 1786, Dinah Smith of West Haven, b. 1767, d. in Southbury, Nov. 23, 1839.

2. Ezra, 5, b. 1768, d. Dec. 14, 1820, m. Oct. 26, 1790, Betsy White, dau. of Samuel White, resided on Chapel street, near York, opposite residence of President Daggett of Yale College. She was b. 1769, d. in Southbury, June 12, 1843.

3. Mary 5, b. 1770, d. Oct. 1, 1800, m. in West Haven, Nov. 26, 1789, Truman Bristoll, 2 children were born in Southbury, Leavitt and Cyrus Bristoll; 2 others died in infancy.

4. John 5, b. 1772, moved to Southbury 1792; no record of marriage or death.

5. Alanson 5, b. 1775, d. May 3, 1860, m. April 3, 1800, in Southbury, Anna Booth, b. Oct. 3, 1779, dau. and third child of Elijah and Anna Hinman Booth, m. Oct. 14, 1772.

6. Thankful 5, b. Sept. 15, 1778, d. in Ohio, April 15, 1871, aged 93, m. John Wheeler, Oct. 3, 1804. He was born 1775, died 1846.

7. David 5, b. 1782, d. in Southbury, May 3, 1849, m. Rachel, b. 1785, d. March 7, 1845.

8. Isaac 5, b. Feb. 8, 1787, d. May 8, 1792.

John Beecher 4, d. Nov. 3, 1786. Made no will. His estate was settled according to law.

Probate Records, vol. 15, p. 154. Court appointed "Widow Mary" admx. on estate of John Beecher, late of West Haven, deceased.

Probate Records, vol. 15, p. 206. Court of Probate held in Newhaven, in said district, on ye sd. 7 day of April, 1788. Mary Beecher, admx. on ye sd. estate of

John Beecher, deceased, exhibited an amount of debts due from sd. estate amounting to 38 Lbs. 19s. 3d.

Probate Records, vol. 16, page 191. Inventory of John Beecher's estate, received for Record Nov. 5, 1787, Silas Kimberly and Samuel Candee, apprizers. Among the items enumerated are: One sett cooper's tools, 1 pr. oxen, 1 cart, 12 chains, 1 horse, 2 cows, 1-32 part sloop Bachelor, dwelling-house, barn, cooper's shop, 7 parcels land amounting to 54 acres. All apprized at £262 16 0. Apprizers appeared and sworn in Court before Justice peace Nemiah Smith.

MARY BEECHER, *Admx.*

Sworn in Court.

Test, WM. J. WHITING, *Clerk.*

Probate Records, vol. 15, p 237, Nov., 1788. Mary Beecher, admx. of estate of John Beecher, late of New-haven, decd., exhibited an account of ye sd. sale of nine acres and 49 rods of land in ye sd. Court to Silas Kimberly for 27 lbs. 17s. 9d. according to order of Court ye sd. residue of ye said estate, amounting to £176 2 3. This Court is to be divided according to law among ye sd. 8 children of ye sd. decd: a double share to ye eldest son, and a single share to each other child: first setting out to ye sd. widow 68 lbs., being one-third part of the real estate.

Ye sd. decd. died possessed of, which will yield to ye eldest son 24 lbs. 0 6 and to each other child 12 lbs. 0 3. Freeholders are Deacon Nathan Smith, Capt. Sam Candee and Capt. Silas Kimberly. Sworn and return of their doings to this Court.

Final distribution was made and recorded Dec. 20, 1790. The widow was to have half the house at West End, the barn and 10 acres of land at Westfield. Nathaniel to have the cooper's shop and a double share and

the other children a single share each and a right in the house. One-thirty-second of the sloop Bachelor belonged to the estate. The land distributed among the eight children.

Apprizers made oath before justice to the distribution as above.

The apprizers in surveying the land found three acres more which, being added to the estate, yielded to the widow Mary £69 16 0, and to each of the children receiving a single share £12 8 6, and a double share to the eldest son, £24 16 6.

Probate Records, vol. 18, page 218. We the subscribers made oath to the distribution of the estate before

NEMIAH SMITH, *Justice of Peace.*
SAMUEL CANDEE.
SILAS KIMBERLY.

Newhaven, Dec. 20. 1790.

The seven parcels of land in inventory were:

7	acres	land in	Home lot,	Lbs. 24	00	0
16	"	"	at the Cove,	48		
10	"	"	in Westfield,	25		
12	"	"	dry cattle swamp,	12		
4	"	"	in the Old Field,	7		
1½	"	"	salt meadow, Cove,	6		
¾	"	"	dike meadow,	2	12	4
$\frac{1}{32}$ part of Sloop Bachelor,				10		
House, barn, cooper's shop,				80		
Rights in house and goods,				54	10	0
				144		
				124		
				£262	10	0

Ezra Beecher, John Beecher, Nathaniel Beecher, Molly Beecher Bristoll, and Truman Bristoll, all of Southbury, for valuable consideration, sold to Henry Ward their interests in their share of the homestead, set to them by the distributors of the estate of John Beecher, decd. Also, the dowry set to widow Mary Beecher, half of dwelling-house and half of barn, set off to Mary Beecher as part of her dowry in ye sd. estate of John Beecher, all sold to Henry Ward.

Ezra Beecher, John Beecher, Nathaniel Beecher, Molly Beecher Bristoll, and Truman Bristoll, set their hand and seal this July 29, 1795. Newhaven land records, vol. 44, page 139.

Newhaven land records, vol. 44, page 139. John Beecher of Southbury gave to Henry Ward deed of land lying in West Haven, the same being his part of the homestead, belonging to his father, John Beecher's estate, which was set to him in the distribution of sd. estate. Deed from John Beecher to Henry Ward, signed July 22, 1795.

EDWARD HINMAN, *Justice of Peace.*

Aug. 22, 1795.

Soon after the settlement of the estate, as above, we find the widow Mary Beecher and her family removed to the pleasant villiage of Southbury, as is shown by the record of deeds and other records. In 1795 Nathaniel Beecher, Ezra Beecher, Molly Beecher Bristoll, John Beecher and Truman Bristoll, all of Southbury, sold their interest in the old homestead on Ward's Corner, corner of Elm street and Campbell ave., West Haven, to Henry Ward.

The following Records are taken from Grave Stones in West Haven Old Cemetery :

Here lieth the Body of

ELIZUR BEECHER.

Who died Mch. ye 2nd, 1726.

Aged 71 years.

CAPT. ISAAC BEECHER.

Who died Oct. 26th, 1814.

Aged 88 years.

Also his wife

ESTHER.

Who died Feb. 27th, 1802.

Aged 73 years.

The above Capt. Isaac Beecher was son of Issac b. 1698, and Elizabeth Trowbridge, b. April 23, 1705, m. March 17, 1726.

In Memory of

MR. JOHN BEECHER.

Who departed this life Nov. 3. 1786.

Aged 42 years.

The sweet remembrance of the just,
Like incense rises from the dust.

The above John Beecher was the son of Isaac and 2nd wife Thankful Blakeslee, and was Father of the Southbury Beecher families.

In Memory of

ISAAC BEECHER,

Son of

MR. JOHN & MRS. MARY BEECHER,

Who died May 8, 1792.

Aged 5 years and 3 months.

Sleep my dear child,
And take your rest.
God calls you home,
Because he thought best.

ELINORY,

Daughter of DANIEL HODGE,

Died Sept. ye 20, 1745.

Aged 11 Years.

Niece of Esther Hodge, wife of Capt. Isaac Beecher.

Here lieth ye body of

JOEL PRINDLE,

Who died Feb. 21, 1726.

Aged 34 years.

The above Joel Prindle was Grandson of William and Nephew of Phebe Prindle, wife of Eliezur Beecher.

No Stone marks the last resting place of Isaac, b. 1698, or of his two wives, Elizabeth Trowbridge and Thankful Blakeslee.

Here lies ye body of

MRS. MARY ye Wife of

MR. GEORGE CLINTON,

Died Feb. 28, 1737.

Aged 26 years.

The above Mary Clinton was daughter of Hannah Beecher Clark.

OBEDIENCE,

Daughter of

MR. GEORGE CLINTON,

Died Jan. ye 31, 1738.

Aged 5 years.

DAVID,

Son of

MR. GEORGE & MRS. CLINTON,

Died August ye 17, 1742.

Aged 6 years.

AME BEECHER,

Died

March 15, 1836.

Aged 78.

SARAH MERRILS,

Died

Dec. 1842, Æ 88.

The two above are daughters of Capt. Isaac Beecher and Esther Hodge. Ame d. unmarried.

SACRED

to the memory of

JEREMIAH SMITH,

Who died

July 19, 1834.

Æ 91.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

The above m. Elizabeth Beecher, dau. of Capt. Isaac.

Here lies ye Body of

MR. JOHN CLARK,

Who died March ye 3, 1719.

Aged 87 years.

SAMUEL CLARK.

Died

October 16, 1712.

Aged 47 years.

SAMUEL,

Son of

SAMUEL CLARK,

Died Sept. 24, 1712.

Aged 19 years.

BENJAMIN CLARK,

Died

May 13, 1712.

Aged 30 years.

John Clark, b. 1632, d. March 3, 1719; had son Samuel, b. Aug. 29, 1665, d. Oct. 16, 1712. Also dau. Mary, b. July 19, 1674. Son Daniel, b. June 28, 1677. Son Benjamin, b. June 11, 1682.

Samuel had son Samuel, b. March 23, 1694, d. Sept. 24, 1712. Also son John, b. Jan. 16, 1703. Also dau. Hannah, b. Aug. 9, 1704.

Daniel, b. June 28, 1677, m. Hannah Beecher, b. June 23, 1679. Had dau. Mary, b. June 11, 1711, m. Geo. Clinton May 24, 1733.

Copy of Head-Stones in White Oak Cemetery:

NATHANIEL BEECHER,

Died

March 27, 1827.

Æ 60.

DINAH,

his wife,

Died Nov. 23, 1839.

Æ 72.

EZRA BEECHER,

Died

December 14, 1820.

Aged 52.

BETSY BEECHER,

Wife of

EZRA BEECHER,

Died June 12, 1843.

Aged 74.

ALANSON BEECHER,

Died

June 2, 1860.

Æ 83.

ANNA,

Wife of

ALANSON BEECHER,

Died

October 15, 1820.

Æ 41.

EBENEZER BOOTH.

Died

February 12, 1864.

Æ 75.

SIBILLA

Wife of

EBENEZER BOOTH.

Died April 5, 1869.

Æ 79.

DAVID BEECHER

Died

May 30, 1843.

Æ 57.

RACHEL BEECHER,

Wife of DAVID,

Died March 7, 1845.

Aged 60.

ERASTUS Dc.

Son of

DAVID & RACHEL BEECHER,

Died Sept. 24, 1820.

Aged 6 years, 2 months & 24 days.

GRATIA BOOTH

August 4, 1821

January 6, 1895

LYMAN BOOTH

Died

December 28, 1869.

Aged 56.

NATHANIEL BEECHER

Died

December 30, 1869.

Aged 67.

HANNAH PECK,

His Wife,

Died March 29, 1874.

Aged 71.

HORACE BALDWIN

Died

February 23, 1881.

Aged 58.

ELIZABETH,

His Wife,

Died August 10, 1894.

Aged 70.

CYRUS BEECHER

Died October 8, 1882.

Aged 81.

PHEBE

Wife of CYRUS BEECHER,

Died

July 16, 1853.

Aged 48.

The Territory of Ancient Woodbury was called Pomperaug, that being the name of the Chief and Tribe located in this valley. In the spring of 1673 a company of fifteen families left Stratford to explore and seek a new home in the wilderness.

The first company of explorers from Stratford to locate a new site for a plantation followed up the Great River (Housatonic) to the intersection of the Pomperaug. A few miles up that stream they found a large open plain. They reached the Pomperaug vailey, and at the close of one day spent in exploring, found themselves in that portion of the valley afterward called White Oak, from their having encamped for the night under the branches of a large oak tree.

This tree stood about eighty rods east of the river, near the junction of the Old Field Road, and on a corner of the Mitchell land.

This tree fell down in the year 1808. The main street, from the Housatonic through Southbury and Woodbury, was located on the old Indian trail running through this section, and was used by the first settlers in journeying from Stratford to Woodbury.

Mary, widow of John Beecher, and her family of children, moved from West Haven where they were born, to that portion of Southbury called White Oak, soon after the settlement of the estate in 1790, and located on the west side of a very broad street, a few rods south of the White Oak District Schoolhouse, and about eighty rods south of the memorable White Oak. This District Schoolhouse was where the descendants of the Beecher families received their first school education.

In the boyhood days of the writer, there were six houses occupied by the Beecher families and their de-

cendants, extending about one hundred rods on the main street and on either side of the White Oak Schoolhouse. This schoolhouse was located directly in front of the First Church built in Southbury. A schoolhouse now (1898) occupies the ground on which the First Church formerly stood. The Ezra Beecher home was located about fifteen rods distant and nearest to the schoolhouse on the south side. Close by its side was a blacksmith shop, which inclines to the belief that he, like others of his name, was a blacksmith. This shop was removed about the year 1825. Ezra d. Dec. 14, 1820. His eldest daughter, Jane, b. June 13, 1792, m. Sept. 16, 1811, Reuben Hughes. He bought and occupied the adjoining house about four rods distant on the south side. Here a large majority of his twelve children were born.

The Nathaniel Beecher homestead was situated about ten rods south of the Hughes' place, and, like the other Beecher homes, were on the west side of the street, except the David Beecher house, about twenty rods farther to the south.

Close by the side of the Nathaniel Beecher house was a cooper's shop. His father, John, died in West Haven, 1786, and the distributors of the estate gave him the cooper's shop owned by the estate. After his removal to Southbury he continued in the cooper business. The writer, then a boy, has seen him working at his trade of setting up barrels in his shop. He died in 1827. His wife, although afflicted with asthma, survived her husband 12 years, and died in 1839.

The writer visited her often and entertained her by readings principally from the Bible.

David Beecher was like the blacksmith David, a man of eccentric character. He lived in the most southerly

of the Beecher homes on the main street. He was a shoemaker and also sexton of the Congregational church and for many years tolled the bell for deaths, funerals, and on all occasions which called for its use. It was a pleasure for the writer, when a boy, to stand in the old steeple and see him pull down the bell rope.

He was precentor at all religious conference meetings, and was, like many other members of that family, a musician of more than ordinary ability.

After the removal to Southbury, widow Mary (Trowbridge) Beecher made her home principally with her son David, and died in that home in 1827, aged 82 years.

Meritt Beecher 6, son of David 5, born July 3, 1804, was also a shoemaker and an expert drummer. It was the fortune of the writer to reside about three years in the adjoining house of John Moseley, and consequently his expert manipulations on the drum are vividly retained.

The home of Alanson Beecher 5, was located about fifteen rods north of the White Oak Schoolhouse, on the road diverging from the main street, near where stood the famous White Oak, running in the rear of the schoolhouse to the old fields.

Subsequently Cyrus 6, son of Alanson 5, bought a house on the Old Field road in the rear of the Hughes place, where he lived and died without issue.

Also, Nathaniel 6, son of Nathaniel 5, bought house on main street at the junction of Old Field road, close by where stood the famous Oak Tree, where he lived and died.

We have traced this renowned Beecher family from Isaac, born 1623, and his son Eleazur, born April 8, 1655, down the line of West Haven Beechers to the re-

moval of John Beecher's family to Southbury in 1792, and also to the present generation as well as imperfect records permit.

Nathaniel Beecher 5, the eldest son of John Beecher 4, was b. in West Haven, 1767, d. March 27, 1827, m. 1786, Dinah Smith of West Haven, b. 1767, d. in Southbury, Nov. 23, 1839.

Ch. 1. Lewis 6, b. in West Haven, Sept. 7, 1787.
2. Sibilla 6, b. in West Haven, 1789.
3. Lyman 6, b. in West Haven, Dec. 18, 1791.
4. Nathaniel 6, b. in Southbury, 1792.
5. Ransom 6, b. in Southbury, May 15, 1794.
6. Gratia 6, b. in Southbury, April 24, 1797.
7. Sherman 6, b. in Southbury, June 12, 1799.
8. William 6, b. in Southbury, Jan. 24, 1805.
9. Smith 6, b. in Southbury, 1808.

Lewis Beecher 6, b. Sept. 7, 1787, d. Oct. 8, 1836, in Seymour, Conn., m. July 15, 1810, Martha Peck of Newtown, Conn., dau. of Nathan and Huldah Fabrique Peck, b. April 23, 1792, d. Aug. 7, 1835. Children born in Southbury:

Ch. 1. Lewis Lyron Beecher 7, b. Feb. 27, 1812, d. Oct. 5, 1864, m. April 14, 1833, Polly Marie Fairchild of Newtown, Conn., dau. of Cyrus and Damarius Botsford Fairchild, b. Sept. 16, 1814, d. Sept. 6, 1891.

He located in New Haven, was a noted musician and a member of several musical organizations, and with the writer, a member of 2d Company Gov. Foot Guards band in 1838.

2. Sarah Marie Beecher 7, b. Oct. 2, 1814, d. July 14, 1843, m. 1840, Horace Bartholomew of New Haven.

Ch 1. Louis Beecher 8, b. Aug. 14, 1841, d. in Civil War.

2. Russell Norton 8, b. June 1. 1843, d. June 11, 1889.

3. Henry Beers Beecher 7, b. Sept. 5, 1816, d. Sept. 24, 1880, m. Sept. 27, 1840, Betsy Ann, dau. of Isaac and Ann Gilbert White, d. Feb. 23, 1852.

Ch. 1. Ann Angoulene 8, b. Sept. 25, 1843, m. Wm. W. Joy of Newmarket, N. H., b. March 10, 1838, m. Oct. 3, 1865.

Ch. 1. Frederick Beecher Joy 9, b. Jan. 1, 1869.

2. Wm. Henry Joy 9, b. Nov. 10, 1870.

2. Frank Henry Beecher 8, b. Jan. 22, 1845, m. Ellen Thompson.

3. Mary Eliza Beecher 8, b. Jan. 3, 1849, m. May 17, 1871, Shelden Tucker of Seymour, b. Jan. 11, 1844, d. Sept. 22, 1883; no issue.

Henry Beers Beecher, 7, m. 2d wife, Feb. 3, 1856, Mary Jane Fairchild of Oxford, dau. of Ebenezer and Sarah Candee Fairchild, b. Feb. 1, 1835.

Ch. 1. Henry Beers Beecher 8, b. April 24, 1867, d. Aug. 4, 1869.

4. Ann Eliza 7, b. Oct. 13, 1819, d. Nov. 19, 1820.

5. Eliza Ann 7, b. Jan. 18, 1822, d. Nov. 22, 1894, m. Dec. 6, 1840, Russell W. Norton of Berlin, Conn.; no issue.

6. Mary Elizabeth 7, b. Oct. 9, 1824, d. Jan. 24, 1826.

7. Mary Jane 7, b. Mary 30, 1827, m. June 8, 1846, Geo. H. Fowler of East Haddam, Conn., b. March 14, 1822, d. Feb. 14, 1883.

Ch. 1. Frederick Acley Fowler 8, b. Feb. 26, 1850, m. Aug. 24, 1875, Mary Elizabeth Root of New Haven, dau. of Chas. and Sophia Root, b. Feb. 14, 1852.

Ch. 1. Charles Root 9, b. June 22, 1876.

2. Frederick Henry Beecher 9, b. March 3, 1878.

Prof. F. A. Fowler 8, descended from a family unexcelled in musical talent. He was educated under Dr. Stoeckle of Yale and has attained an eminence as organist, conductor and teacher of music that is seldom reached.

His sons, Charles Root, Yale '99, and Frederick Henry Beecher, Yale S. '99, have also been educated in music, and their services are much sought for when music of a high order is desired for church worship or entertainments.

Lewis Beecher 6, born in West Haven, married and resided in Southbury, where all his children but one were born, the last being born in Woodbury, where he removed to in 1826, a petition having been signed by all the prominent freeholders residing in White Oak and Middle Quarter Districts, requesting that he be engaged to operate a flouring mill located on the Pomperang River in the southern part of Woodbury, which resulted in his removal in 1826 and assuming the responsibility, giving universal satisfaction by his upright dealings. He re-

mained until 1834, when the family again moved to Seymour, where he died Oct. 8, 1836.

Henry Beers Beecher 7, located in Seymour, and entered into co-partnership with a firm called the Six Partners, and was extensively engaged in the manufacture of augurs, bitts, etc., accumulating considerable property and the highest respect and esteem of his fellow townsmen, who appointed him to many positions of trust and responsibility.

Sibilla Beecher 6, dau. of Nathaniel, b. Sept. 10, 1789, m. Nov. 30, 1812, Ebenezer Booth, son of Elijah Booth, b. April 7, 1790, d. Feb. 12, 1864. She died April 5, 1869.

Ch. 1. Lyman Booth 7, b. Jan. 16, 1814, d. Dec. 8, 1869 : unmarried.

2. Sarah Booth 7, b. April 22, 1815, m. Sept. 9, 1837, Lewis Morse, b. Nov. 9, 1808.

Ch. 1. John L. Morse 8, b. Aug. 27, 1838, m. Mary Scott. Had child Rosalie 9.

2. Sarah Jane Morse 8, b. Jan. 20, 1841, d. Dec. 2, 1845.

3. Ellen Booth Morse 8, b. July 7, 1844, d. Oct. 8, 1883.

4. Willard P. 8, b. July 15, 1851.

3. James Booth 7, b. Dec. 25, 1817, d. Feb. 28, 1834.

4. Milo Booth 7, b. Oct. 12, 1819, m. Nov. 26, 1843, Rachel H. Squire, d. Nov. 4, 1889, in Roxbury, Conn.

Ch. 1. John E. Booth 8, b. Sept. 27, 1844, m. May 2, 1868, Catherine White, Bucks Co., Pa. Reside in Waterbury, Conn. (1898.)

Ch. 1. Willard E. Booth 9, b. April 5, 1869.

2. Grace M. Booth 9, b. March 13, 1874, d. March 30, 1882.

3. Gratia Booth 9, b. March 25, 1889.

2. Mary E. Booth 8, b. March 31, 1846, unm.

3. Charles B. Booth 8, b. Oct. 24, 1849, unm.

4. Eunice H. Booth 8, b. Jan. 19, 1852, m. Jan. 12, 1874, Thomas Gee. Reside in Watertown, Conn. (1898.)

Ch. 1. Anna B. Gee 9, b. June 29, 1875.
2. Charles D. Gee 9, b. Nov. 28, 1880.
3. Katherine M. Gee 9, b. Feb. 20, 1888.
4. Grace E. Gee 9, b. March 13, 1890.
5. Bessie M. Gee 9, b. Oct. 3, 1894.

5. Walter Booth 8, b. Jan. 5, 1858, m. Oct. 7, 1884, Bessie A. Johnson of Chenango Co., New York. Reside in Roxbury, Conn.

Ch. 1. Wm. J. 8, b. March 7, 1886, d. June 17, 1897.
2. George W. 9, b. April 30, 1889.

6. Ulysses Grant 8, b. Jan. 9, 1864, m. Anna Lake. Reside in Waterville.

Ch. 1. Jessie 9, b. Nov. 3, 1890.
2. Herbert M. 9, b. Jan. 29, 1892.
3. Rachel 9, b. Aug. 14, 1893.
4. Clarence 9, b. Dec. 26, 1894.

5. Gratia Booth 7, b. May 4, 1821, d. Jan. 6, 1895; unmarried.

Lyman Beecher 6, (son of Nathaniel 5), b. Dec. 18, 1791, in West Haven, d. Sept. 11, 1857, m. Jan. 10, 1813, in New Haven, Sally Wheeler, b. Nov. 8, 1794, in Southbury. Moved to Vienna, Ohio, in 1816, d. July 4, 1851.

Ch. 1. Ransom Beecher 7, b. Dec. 10, 1813, m. Sylvia Wheeler, Nov. 22, 1830.

Ch. 1. William 8, m. Sarah Jones.
2. Lovina 8, m. Richard Drake.
3. Lovisa 8, m. John Tyler, 11 chil. twins.
4. Morovia 8, m. Penilina Perfinaill, 4 chil.
5. Reuben 8, m. sister Penilina Perfinaill, had children.
6. Sylvia 8, m. Rollin Rice, one child.
7. Orville 8.
8. Meritt 8, m. Mary Rice, two children.

2. William N. Beecher 7, b. Aug. 16, 1815, died in California, May 18, 1878.

3. Lemuel L. 7, b. Nov. 13, 1817, 9 children.

4. Mary E. 7, b. June 18, 1820, m. Ira Lincoln. He died 1842. One son, Addison.

Widow Mary m. Robert Robinson in 1845. He d. Sept. 1868.

Ch. 1. Loly 8, b. 1847, m. Martin Ganyard, in 1870, 2 children.

2. Lemuel 8, b. Oct. 29, 1848, m. Irene Ralph, Dec. 24, 1871. She died, leaving 4 children, July 4, 1881.

Lemuel 8, m. 2d wife, Jona Misner: she died leaving 1 child, May 27, 1886.

Lemuel 8, m. 3d wife, Mrs. Ware, 1889.

5. Loly L. 7, b. Feb. 26, 1823, m. John Adams. She d. Oct. 26, 1882 in Minnesota. The first white woman settled there.

Ch. 1. Mary 8, m. —— Davis, had one child, 9.
2. John 8, drowned in Blue Earth River, Minn.

6. Sally W. 7, b. March 17, 1825, m. Warren Barr, 1841, d. Dec. 16, 1885.

Ch. 1. Allen 8, m. Lovina Cortrite, 5 children.
2. Asa 8, m. Louisa Misner, 11 children.
3. Eunice 8, m. James Read, 1 child.
4. Augustus 8, m. Lizzie Euquilder, 4 chil.

7. Eunice A. 7, b. July 2, 1828, m. July 4, 1851, James Orr. He was an able choir leader in Niles, Ohio; d. August, 1869.

Ch. 1. Elexys 8, b. 1852, unmarried. Missionary and manager of Home for Friendless Girls in New York City.
2. Rosa 8, m. Wm. Sears, 2 children.
3. Willis 8, deceased.

8. Sophronia Marie 7, b. June 29, 1832, m. Amariah Tyrrell, March 6, 1851, d. Jan. 19, 1898.

Ch. 1. Merrill 8, b. May 6, 1855, m. Lymo Taylor, 1 son.
2. Plumb 8, b. May, 1859, m. Nettie Burnett, 3 children.
3. Jerusha 8, b. May 5, 1863, m. Steven Burnett, 2 children.

9. Amelia Ann 7, b. July 28, 1835, m. Robert Searle, May 7, 1855.

Ch. 1. Sarah 8, b. ——, m. Rev. Henry Ford, 3 children.

2. William 8, unmarried.
3. Kittie 8, Kindergarten teacher, Topeka.

10. Abigal 7, b. July 26, 1839, m. Hen. Leaming, May 27, 1863.

Ch. 1. Julia 8, b. March 17, 1867, m. James Stewart, Dec. 30, 1886.

Ch. 1. Ira, J. 9, b. Oct. 4, 1887.
2. Harget A. 9, b. Oct. 5, 1889.
3. Henry 9, b. Dec. 5, 1893.

2. Jerry 8, b. Feb. 28, 1868, unmarried, in Medical College, Cleveland, O.

Nathaniel Beecher 6, (son of Nathaniel 5), born in Southbury, 1792, d. Dec. 30, 1857, aged 65, m. May 22, 1824, Hannah Peck, b. and d. in Southbury, March 29, 1874. He had a beautiful home and a fine tract of level land on the main street, at the junction of the Old Field road, and near where stood the famous White Oak. Children were:

Ch. 1. Lucy Elizabeth 7, b. Jan. 31, 1825, d. Aug. 10, 1894, m. Horace Baldwin, b. 1823, d. Feb. 23, 1881; no issue.

2. Wm. Curtiss 7, b May 28, 1828, m. April 4, 1856, Mary Emily Strong, b. in Woodbury, May 27, 1834, d. July 28, 1884.

Ch. 1. William Strong 8, b. June 19, 1856, d. March 18, 1888, m. Harriett Lockwood Beers, Dec. 22, 1880.

Ch. 1. William Beers 9, b. Dec. 29, 1884.
2. Mary Elizabeth 8, b. Dec. 28, 1860, m. Dec. 16, 1891, Alfred N. Platt.

Ch. 1. George N. Platt 9, b. Dec. 15, 1892.
2. Julia Elizabeth Platt 9, b. Dec. 14, 1893, d. April 28, 1894.
3. Alfred N. Platt 9, b. April 2, 1896.

3. Henry Ward 8, b. July 1, 1862.
4. Harriett L. 8, b. July 18, 1866, m. Feb. 10, 1885, Homer A. Jones.
   Ch. 1. Henry Earle 9, b. May 5, 1886.
   2. Homer Adriene 9, b. Dec. 5, 1887.
5. Seth Nathaniel 8, b. Nov. 25, 1867.
6. Horace Baldwin 8, b. May 7, 1870.

Many of the decendants of Nathaniel 5 were noted musicians of more than ordinary talents and have occupied prominent positions in musical organizations and church worship, by which their memory and soul-inspiring music will never be effaced. Nathaniel 6 was also a musician and for many years played the 'cello in the Congregational Church choir in Southbury.

Ransom Beecher 6, (son of Nathaniel 5), born in Southbury, May 15, 1794, m. Polly Peck in 1816 in Newtown, Conn. She was the daughter of John Peck and Polly Kimberly, born in Bridgeport, Feb. 7, 1799, they moved to Vienna, O., Oct. 20, 1820. She died in Vienna, Aug. 29, 1890, aged 91. She spent 70 years on the farm on which she died. Ransom 6 died in 1883, seven years before his wife. They took great interest in religious work.

Ch. 1. Marie Jane 7, b. April 3, 1817 in Newtown, Conn., m. Lorenzo Dow Fuller, b. Dec. 30, 1811, in Burlington, Conn., d. June 25, 1879; no issue.
   2. Alanson Beers 7, b. June 15, 1830 in Vienna; unmarried.

Gratia Beecher 6, (dau. of Nathaniel 5), b. April 20, 1797, d. July 25, 1883, m. 1825, Electus B. Cham-

berlin of Pine Plains, N. Y., b. Dec. 23, 1799, d. Feb. 28, 1851. Gratia 6, m. 1855, 2d husband, Enos Grannis of New Haven. Children by 1st:

Ch. 1. Lewis B. 7, b. Jan. 15, 1827 in Pine Plains, d. in Joliet, Ill., Oct. 8, 1861, m. Caroline Keefer of Pulvers Corner, New York.

Ch. 1. Ella L. 8, b. Oct. 28, 1852 in Salisbury, Conn., m. June 8, 1868, Oscar P. Ives, son of Robert Ives of New Haven, b. October, 1839.

Ch. 1. Henry L. 9, b. Nov. 12, 1870, drowned in New Haven harbor June 3, 1889.
Ruth L. 9, b. Dec. 18, 1880.

2. Maretta Chamberlin 8, b. ——, d. 1855.

3. Carrie Chamberlin 8, b. ——, d. 1862.

4. Henry R. 8, drowned in New Haven, aged 11.

2. Frederick B. Chamberlin 7, b. May 10, 1828, d. April 2, 1830.

3. Alfred Chamberlin 7, b. March, 1830, m. Lorinda Allen.

Ch. 1. Fred 8, b. ——, m. Delia Prince.

Ch. 1. Jennie B. 9, b. 1877.

2. Herbert 9, b. 1878.

3. Mira 9, b. 1886.

2. Cora 8, m. John Cummings.

Ch. 1. William 9, b. 1897.

2. Raymond 9, b. Feb., 1881.

3. Mabel 9, b. 1883.

4. Harry 9, b. 1891.

3. Willard 8, m. Lida Brown.

Ch. 1. Albert 9, b. 1889.
2. Willard 9, b. Feb., 1891.
3. Thomas 9, b. Dec., 1895.
4. Harry 8, b. 1969; unmarried.

4. Losane E. Chamberlin 7, b. Dec. 15, 1831, m. in Lafayetteville, N. Y., Ambrose Hicks, b. Aug. 14, 1826.

Ch. 1. Alfred Hicks 8, b. Oct. 26, 1851.

Ch. 1. Alice May 9, b. May 30, 1888.

2. Alice E. Hicks 8, b. Oct. 28, 1853, m. May 4, 1881, Reuben S. Hart of New Haven, b. Feb. 1, 1857, son of Seley Hart of East Cornwall, Conn.

Ch. 1. Florence 9, b. March 30, 1884.
2. Etta M. 9, b. May 9, 1888.

3. Charles Hicks 8, b. West Haven, July 1, 1855, m. April, 1882, Anna Hubon, b. 1860.

Ch. 1. Mabel 9, b. May 17, 1883.
2. Walter 9, b. October, 1886.
3. George W. 9, b. July 4, 1894.
4. Ernest 9, b. June 1, 1897.

5. Smith W. Chamberlin 7, b. Oct. 11, 1834, d. May 5, 1835.

6. Bushnell Chamberlin 7, b. Sept. 15, 1836, d. Feb. 23, 1837.

7. Samuel W. Chamberlin 7, b. April 6, 1839, d. Feb. 29, 1840.

Sherman Beecher 6, (son of Nathaniel 5), b. June 12, 1793, went South. No tidings of him ever received.

William Beecher 6, (son of Nathaniel 5), was born in Southbury, Jan. 24, 1805. He d. in Newtown Center, Mass., Jan. 10, 1893, aged 88. He learned the jeweler's trade in Providence, R. I., and was a skillful mechanic, and of unquestioned integrity, beloved and respected by all who knew him. He married Hannah Ammidown of Southbridge, Mass., Feb. 20, 1827, she died March 28, 1861.

Ch. 1. Daughter died in infancy.

2. Wm. Ammidown 7, b. July 10, 1828, m. Hester Billings Thatcher, Oct. 12 1853, b. Oct. 15, 1831, d. Oct. 12 1853, at Meriden R. R. station, while returning home from their wedding trip. Wm. A. m. second wife, Esther Ann Striuirotv, b. Aug. 21, 1844, in St. Croix, West India, m. Oct. 7, 1869.

Ch. 1. Jane Elizabeth 8, b. Jan. 14, 1871, m. Rev. Erit B. Smith, in Boston, April 29, 1890, reside in Stonington, Conn., 1898.

3. Hannah Jane, b. May 7, 1832, d. May 30, 1897, m. Oakman Sprauge Stearns, Dec. 2, 1850, b. in Bath, Me., Oct. 20, 1817. He d. April 20, 1893.

Ch. 1. Wm. Oakman 8, b. in Newtown Center, Nov. 18, 1855.
2. Anna Beecher 8, b. July 5, 1859.
3. Charles Kinworth 8, b. Jan. 6, 1864.
1. Wm. Oakman 8, m. Ella Abbott of Bethel, Me., Oct. 15, 1884. Reside at Glens Falls, N. Y., 1898.

Ch. 1. Leslie Ballad 9, b. March 22, 1886.
2. Allen Beecher 9, b. April 22, 1887.
3. Eliza Abbott 9, b. Sept. 17, 1890.
4. Helen Sybil 9, b. Sept. 10, 1895.
5. Wm. Oakman 9, b. Sept. 18, 1897.

2. Anna Beecher Stearns 8, m. Henry Hubbard Kendall of Newtown Center, Nov. 29, 1881.

Ch. 1. Albert Stearns 9, b. Jan. 7, 1883.
2. Horace Bigelow 9, b. Feb. 18, 1889.
3. Dorothy 9, b. Dec. 26, 1890.
3. Charles Kinworth 8, m. Ethel May Hunter of Newtown Center, Nov. 27, 1889.

1. Child b. July 20, 1891, d. July 22, 1891.

It has been stated that many of the descendants of Nathaniel Beecher were noted musicians of extraordinary musical talent and the same may be truly said of all the descendants of John Beecher's family.

Any attempt to designate by name all those who, favored by nature, were born with music in the soul and capable of using the talent for the delight of others, would involve a great amount of labor, but the writer will never forget hearing the old anthems sung by Thankful Beecher Wheeler, when past the meridian of life, with a spirit seldom heard. Her daughter, Marietta, was also an accomplished violinist. We were also deeply moved when listening to the sweet and beautiful voice of Sarah Marie Beecher. Mary (Fowler) Beecher was also in youth a musical prodigy—singing church hymn tunes when only one year of age. The family of Henry Beers Beecher also numbered some very talented musicians and teachers.

Smith Beecher also possessed this fine talent for music, and being a skilled mechanic, he constructed dulcimers and other musical instruments, whereby he might extract sweet musical tones to delight and gratify his desire for harmony.

It is said that a grand-daughter of his, Miss Anna Grace Cummings, is a fine contralto soloist. The few here named are but the representatives of the whole of this line of the Beecher family.

Smith Beecher, 6, son of Nathaniel 5, b. in Southbury, 1808, d. in Southbridge, Mass., 1875, m. by Rev. Dr. Bacon in Center Church, New Haven, to Mary Esther Short, 1836. She was b. in Derby, Conn., Oct. 18, 1814. They resided in New Haven until 1842, when they went to Southbridge, Mass., where he conducted the business of cabinet making. He was a skillful workman, a fine mechanic and musician. His wife survived him 21 years, and died Oct. 4, 1896, aged 82.

Ch. 1. Edwin Smith Beecher 7, b. in New Haven, June 3, 1837, m. June 3, 1862, Eliza Fidelia Davis, b. in Southbridge, Mass., Aug. 17, 1843.

Ch. 1. Alice Idella Beecher 8, b. in Southbridge, July 4, 1866, m. Oct. 8, 1885, Herbert Ashley Crofton, b. in Linden, Vt., March 28, 1864.

Ch. 1. Roy Edwin Crofton 9, b. in Monson, Mass., Oct. 6, 1889.

2. Earl Reginald Crofton 9, b. in Palmer, Mass., Feb. 7, 1897.

2. George Davis Beecher 8, b. in Southbridge, April 20, 1868, m. June 4, 1892, Bertha Jane Shaw, b. Sept. 17, 1873, in Brookfield, Mass.

Ch. 1. Ethel Maud Beecher 9, b. Oct. 3, 1893.
2. Harold Edwin Beecher 9, b. Feb. 21, 1896.
3. George Ernest Beecher 9, b. May 29, 1897.

Children b. in Springfield, Mass.

2. Sarah Ann 7, b. June 3, 1837, m. May 16, 1861, Edward Bingham Cummings, b. Sept. 2, 1835, in Hampton, Conn.

Ch. 1. Mary Sybil 8, b. Oct. 28, 1865, m. Oct. 10, 1889, Frank E. Whittaker of Hampton, Conn.

Ch. 1. Carl Cummings 9, Dec. 20, 1890.
2. Russell Lucius, 9, b. May 28, 1892.
3. Ralph Edgar, 9, b. Jan. 5, 1894.
4. Harold Ernest 9, b. Sept. 2, 1895.

3. Anna Grace 8, b. March 26, 1868.

4. Frank Beecher 8, b Sept. 10, 1873.

5. Edwin Lindsey 8, b. Nov. 17, 1877.

3. Mary Grace 7, b. June 13, 1841, m. Dr. Chas. Henry Leonard, June 1, 1872. Graduate of Yale, b. in Madison, Ind., Dec. 29, 1841.

Ch. 1. Grace Fisher 8, b. April 14, 1873.
2. Mary Beecher 8, b. June 27, 1876.
3. George Manning 8, b. July 2, 1877.

4. Herbert Ransom 7, b. March 7, 1860, m. Mary Brewster Carpenter, b. March 14, 18—.

Ch. Bertha 8, b. Dec. 10, 1889.

Ezra Beecher 5, (2d son of John 4), b. in West Haven, 1768, d. in Southbury, Dec. 14, 1820, m. Oct. 26, 1790, Betsy White, b. in New Haven, 1769, dau. of Samuel White of Chapel street, d. in Southbury, June 12, 1843, where they moved to in 1792, and where their children were all born.

Ch. 1. Jane 6, b. June 13, 1792, d. in New Haven, July 9, 1869, aged 77.

2. Isaac 6, b. 1794, m. James Drake, lived and died in Palmyra, N. Y.; no issue.

3. Laura 6, b. June 22, 1797, d. in Ononoville, N. Y., May 7, 1854, aged 57.

4. Mary 6, b. 1801, d. in New Haven, Nov. 15, 1872, aged 71.

5. Betsy 6, b. 1802, d. in New Haven, May 5, 1882, aged 80.

6. Roxanna 6, b. 1806, d. in New Haven, Oct. 7, 1869, aged 63.

7. Caroline 6, b. 1810, d. in Camden, N. J., July, 1885, aged 75.

Jane Beecher 6, (daughter of Ezra 5), b. June 13, 1792, d. July 9, 1869, m. Sept. 16, 1811, Reuben Hughes, (son of Wm. Hues), b. Dec. 2, 1791, d. in Southbury, April 4, 1837, leaving widow and children as follows:

Ch. 1. Samuel Henry 7, b. April 30, 1813, d. Oct. 2, 1814, age 1 year 5 months.

2. Samuel Henry 7, b. Jan. 20, 1815.

3. Sarah Ann 7, b. Nov. 26, 1817, d. Nov. 18, 1819, aged 2 years.

4. Reuben Beecher 7, b. Jan. 27, 1820.

5. Sarah Ann 7, b. Nov. 2, 1821.

6. Wm. Wheeler 7, b. Dec. 22, 1823.

7. Mary 7, b. Feb. 13, 1826.

8. Caroline Elizabeth 7, b. April 9, 1828.

9. Jane 7, b. Oct. 5, 1830.

10. Ruth Ann 7, b. Aug. 30, 1832.

11. Isaac Ezra 7, b. Sept. 22, 1834.

12. Emily 7, b. Sept. 15, 1837, five months after death of father, and died Jan. 15, 1842, aged 4 years 4 months.

Samuel Henry 7, b. Jan. 20, 1815, d. in Palestine, Texas, Nov. 10, 1885, m. Theodora Baker Dec. 3, 1856.

Ch. Rose Ruth Ann 8, b. Sept. 16, 1857, d. aged 19, 1876.

At the age of 17 he was apprenticed to learn the blacksmith trade in South Britain, but at 19 desiring to study for the ministry, he left his native town at the age of 20 for Marysville, East Tennessee, where he educated for the ministry, passing through many privations and sacrifices to accomplish it. He preached the Gospel faithfully for many years, after which he graduated at a medical college, and was a practicing physician until the close of his life.

Previous to the Civil War he moved to Texas. His daughter, Rose Ruth Ann, passed on before, while his wife survived a short time to mourn his loss.

Reuben Beecher Hughes 7, was born in Southbury, Jan. 27, 1820, in the first house south of the famous White Oak Tree on the Mitchell land. This now beautiful mansion is the residence of Wm. Beecher, a prominent citizen of Southbury. Soon after this date Reuben Hughes, Sen., purchased the home lying between the residence of Ezra Beecher and Nathaniel Beecher, south of the school-house. Here his boyhood days were passed. In 1836 he removed to New Haven, and was a member of several church choirs, in which he played 'cello, trombone, string bass, ophicleide, violin and other instruments, and was also a member of the 2nd Comp. Gov. Foot Guards Band and other musical organizations. For fifteen years was a member of the Union City and Wheeler and Wilson celebrated male quartette, also the Wheeler

and Wilson Band, and was engaged in organizing and instructing bands, orchestras and church choirs for fifty years. For many years he has maintained an orchestra for the benefit of the New Haven City Missions, free of expense to that institution. He acquired several trades. Was engineer, and subsequent to the Civil War, made tools for manufacturing pistols, cutlery, clocks, guns, carriage springs, and many other articles. On Dec. 31, 1840, was m., in New Haven, by the Rev. Mr. Shalor of Branford to Harriett M. Sloper, b. in Bath, England, May 1, 1821, dau. of the Rev. Jacob Sloper. In 1882 he retired from mechanical pursuits, and is amply supported by the income derived from the labors of a life of strict habits of temperance, industry, prudence, economy and integrity, and is now able to enjoy the fruits resulting from such a life, without labor or care.

Ch. 1. George William Henry 8, b. Aug. 28, 1844.
2. Charlotte Matilda 8, b. Aug. 14, 1858.

George William Henry 8, m. Maude B. Kellogg.
Ch. 1. George William R. 9, b. Sept. 19, 1887.

George William Henry 8, was a skillful mechanic of superior judgment, and was for many years a successful merchant in New Haven, accumulating several valuable blocks of real estate. He inherited a fine talent for music and was in youth an accomplished violinist, also an expert in organ tuning.

Charlotte Matilda 8, m. Nov. 16, 1882, Noble P. Bishop of the firm of Foskett & Bishop. He was born in New Haven Oct. 14, 1856.

Ch. 1. Raymond Leslie 9, b. July 31, 1888.
2. Ethel Alena 9, b. Feb. 8, 1890.
3. Dorris Noble 9, b. Aug. 27, 1891.

Charlotte M. 8, was educated in music under Profs. Fowler and Chandler, and is possessed of a pure soprano voice of rare sweetness and ability, and has served with universal acceptance as soloist in several church choirs and quartettes in the city of New Haven.

N. P. Bishop, has been for many years connected with the firms of Bishop & Brown and the Foskett & Bishop Company, manufacturers of all kinds of steam and hot water heaters, automatic sprinklers, and contractors for all work in which steam or water is employed for any purpose through iron piping.

Sarah Ann Hughes 7, b. Nov. 2, 1821, m. John K. Curtis Sept. 7, 1840, b. in New Haven, 1817, d. Dec. 1, 1877. He was a manufacturer of men's clothing, lived and transacted business in the city of his birth, up to his death in 1877.

Ch. 1. Charles Grenville 8, b. Sept. 29, 1841, in the city of New Haven.

2. Mary Frances 8, b. June 15, 1845, d. Sept. 1, 1845.

Charles G. 8, m. Nov. 16, 1865, Cornelia Maria Whiting, b. in New Haven. He was educated in chemistry and has been engaged in the drug business for thirty years, principally in the city of Brooklyn.

Ch. 1. Frank Street 9, b. Sept. 3, 1866, m. Isabel Achenson, June 12, 1889, in Brooklyn.

Ch. 1. Austin Mansfield 10, b. June 4, 1890.

2. Grenville Whiting 10, b. Sept. 24, 1891.

2. Almede Hammond 9, b. Nov. 7, 1869, m. Edward Robinson Brown, May 18, 1896.

3. Carrie Whiting 9, b. Mch. 11, 1872, d. Aug. 16, 1872.

4. Mabel Louisa Mansfield 9, b. July 26, 1874, m. George Baker Grannis, April 2, 1898.

William Wheeler Hughes 7, b. Dec. 22, 1823, m. Feb. 28, 1847, Martha Nettleton (dau. of Ephraim), b. in Prospect, Oct. 29, 1825, d. in New Haven, Aug. 18, 1871.

Ch. 1. Kate 8, b. in Naugatuck, Feb. 29, 1848, d. in New Haven, March 2, 1871.

2. Agnes 8, b. in Naugatuck, Aug. 16, 1850, d. in New Haven, April 24, 1872.

3. Harry N. 8, b. in Naugatuck, Sept. 15, 1854, m. Feb. 9, 1875, Katy E. Norton, b. May 29, 1855.

Ch. 1. Agnes W. 9, b. Sept. 9, 1878.

2. Mabel 9, b. Oct. 3, 1893.

William Wheeler Hughes 7, m. 2d wife Emma C. McEwen, May 5, 1872. In 1865 he moved to New Haven, and was extensively engaged in manufacturing until 1880, when he retired to a country-seat in the town of Oxford, where he has been elected to many prominent positions of public trust and responsibility, and holds the respect and confidence of the community in which he resides (1898). He is a man of sterling qualities; firm and decided in his opinions; fearless in maintaining what he believes to be truth and justice, frequently making use of strong and forcible expressions to communicate his firm convictions, but underneath there is a kind and generous soul that wins our love and respect.

Mary Hughes 7, b. Feb. 13, 1826, m. Horace Hinman, Nov. 8, 1842, b. in Southbury, April 18, 1819, farmer and shoe manufacturer, resided in southern part of Southbury, where children were born as follows:

Ch. 1. Sarah Curtis 8, b. March 27, 1845, m. Henry Folley, Jan. 4, 1880, b. Jan. 23, 1853, d. April 13, 1898.

2. Fannie Elizabeth 8, b. March 2, 1847, d. unm. Oct. 30, 1893.

3. Adella Hinman 8, b. June 30, 1861, d. March 6, 1876.

4. Winfield Beecher 8, b. Oct. 30, 1863, m. Lizzie Loomis Michel, April 4, 1883, she was born November, 1859.

Ch. 1. Austin 9, b. June, 1884, d. Sept. 1, 1884.

2. Harlow Winfield 9, b. March 26, 1889.

3. Charles Mead 9, b. April, 1890, d. Aug. 30, 1890.

Soon after 1885 the family removed to Danbury, where they have since resided.

Caroline E. Hughes 7, b. April 9, 1828, m. July 15, 1850, Elisha Mix Gorham, b. April 17, 1815, d. June 29, 1862. A man of extraordinary talent, editor of temperance publication, secretary to Gov. Buckingham during his official terms of four years as governor of Connecticut.

Ch. 1. Charles E. M. 8, b. Jan. 2, 1851, d. Nov. 13, 1892, m. Laura Brown, Nov. 26, 1879.

Ch. 1. Wm. B. 9, b. Jan. 31, 1881, is in government employment.

Charles E. M. 8, received thorough scientific education and graduated with honor in Columbia Medical College in Washington, D. C., and at his death in 1892, had been many years employed by the government as civil engineer and was also one of the government fish commissioners.

2. Henry Beecher Gorham 8, b. Sept. 12, 1853, m. Emily B. Grannis, June 7, 1879. She d. April 20, 1889.

Ch. 1. Ella Louisa 9, b. Jan. 15, 1880.
2. Elizabeth 9, b. June 18, 1881.
3. Marion 9, b. Oct. 14, 1883.
4. Emily Brinsmade 9, b. Aug. 9, 1885.
5. Charles Elisha 9, b. June 23, 1887.
6. Harry Barlow 9, b. March 31, 1889.

Henry B. 8, m. Fannie Gill, 2d wife, 1889.

Ch. 1. John Pearson 9, b. April 8, 1893.

Henry Beecher Gorham 8, also passed through a course of scientific education under professional instruction and early entered into government service as civil engineer.

3. Jane Louisa 8, b. July 24, 1855, m. Nathaniel V. Perry, Nov. 26, 1889: no issue.

4. Louis Bail 8, b. Feb. 9, 1858, d. Jan. 28, 1864.

5. Wm. Buckingham 8, b. April 11, 1860, m. Jan. 5, 1886, Frances I. Pearson, b. in New York, June 13, 1865.

Ch. 1. Elizabeth B. 9, b. in New Haven, Feb. 20, 1887.
2. Donald Pearson 9, b. in Brooklyn, May 5, 1888, died Aug. 3, 1888.
4. Robert Buckingham 9, b. July 3, 1893, d. April 21, 1894.

Wm. Buckingham 8, has long been in the employ of a commercial house as secretary, is notary public in Brooklyn where he resides.

Caroline E. Gorham 7, m. July, 1885, 2d Jeremiah Wolcott, b. 1816, d. Sept. 25, 1896.

Jane Hughes 7, b. Oct. 5, 1830, died in New Haven, Nov. 27, 1852, m. in New Haven, Francis Austin, b. Feb. 10, 1827, d. in Danbury, March 27, 1895.

Ch. 1. Willis Henry Austin 8, b. May, 1850, d. Aug. 1851.

2. Willis Henry Austin 8, b. in New Haven, April 4, 1852, m. in Danbury, Oct. 20, 1875, Sarah Ann Chichester.

Ch. 1. Lester C. Austin 9, b. in Danbury, May 31, 1878, d. Oct. 14, 1878.

2. Clarence 9, b. in Danbury, Aug. 20, 1880.

3. Byron W. 9, b. Aug. 16, 1887, d. Aug. 13, 1888.

4. Robert 9, b. May, 1893.

Ruth Ann Hughes 7, b. Aug. 30, 1832, d. June 2, 1858, m. in New Haven, April 22, 1851, Joseph Derby of New Haven.

Ch. 1. Lillie Grace 8, b. June 15, 1850, d. in infancy, at two years.

Isaac Ezra Hughes 7, b. Sept. 22, 1834, d. in New York, April, 1886, m. March 17, 1856, Amanda Ackerman of New York.

Ch. 1. Eugene B. Hughes 8, b. in New York, Jan. 6, 1859, m. Aug. 13, 1879, Martha McIntosh of New York.

He was many years employed by the mercantile house of Stewart & Co., had care of the Stewart property. He obtained an education by self-application, industry and perseverance, and entered into the ministry in the Methodist Episcopal Conference. Is now located in Pennsylvania (1898).

Ch. 1. Lena Van Want 9, b. June 7, 1880.
2. Martha McIntosh 9, b. Aug. 5, 1881.
3. Sallie Renous 9, b. June 10, 1884, d. March 23, 1885.
4. Jessie John 9, b. Dec. 21, 1889, d. March 4, 1892.
5. Amy 9, b. Dec. 3, 1890.
6. May 9, b. Nov. 20, 1896.

2. Henry C. Hughes 8, b. Aug. 15, 1866, in New York, d. April 22, 1872.

Emily Hughes 8, b. in Southbury, Sept. 15, 1837, d. Jan. 22, 1842, aged 4 years 4 months.

Laura Beecher 6, (dau. of Ezra 5), b. in Southbury, June 22, 1797, d. in Onoville, N. Y., May 7, 1854, aged 57 years 15 days, m. Sept. 22, 1819, Warren H. Reeves, b. on Long Island of Scotch parents in 1799, d. April 14, 1866, aged 67. Children were as follows:

Ch. 1. Wm. Isaac Reeves 7, b. in Steuben County, N. Y., July 28, 1820, m. March 19, 1842, Phebe Headley, b. Nov. 18, 1820, and resides in Columbus, Pa. (1898.)

Ch. 1. Franklin D. 8, b. May 13, 1843, d. Nov. 3, 1889.
2. Charles W. 8, b. Aug. 7, 1845, d. Jan. 3, 1888.

2. David Ezra Reeves 7, b. June 1, 1822, d. Aug., 1824.

3. Eliza Ann Reeves 7, b. Jan. 15, 1826, m. William Johnson, Jan. 2, 1844.

Ch. 1. Luther C. 8, b. Sept. 22, 1844, d. March 7, 1851.
2. Dennis L. 8, b. June 26, 1846, d. April 24, 1862.
3. Caroline 8, b. July 11, 1848.
4. Marcus L. 8, b. Aug. 25, 1851, d. Oct. 11, 1876.
5. Dorastus 8, b. Aug. 28, 1853, d. July 28, 1862.
6. Laura A. 8, b. May 21, 1856, d. Nov. 15, 1856.
7. Willard 8, b. May 5, 1860, d. Aug. 25, 1862.
8. Ira W. 8, b. Sept. 7, 1862.
9, 10. Alice and Addison 8, b. Sept. 8, 1866, d. Feb. 8 and 10, 1867.

Widow Johnson now resides in Russell, Pa. (1898.)

4. George W. Reeves 7, b. Aug. 16, 1827, in the the town of Hope, Canada, m. Emeline Helms, June 21, 1849.

Ch. 1. Fayette W. 8, b. June 24, 1850, d. Jan. 6, 1852.
2. Delora R. 8, b. June 23, 1854.
3. Frank A. 8, b. Nov. 30, 1856.
4. Lizzie M. 8, b April 1, 1860.
5. Lorenda A. 8, b. June 30, 186–, d. Dec. 16, 1867.
6. Ernest G. 8, b. June 11, 1866.
7. Darwin W. 8, b. Nov. 4, 1869.

5. Warren Lafayette Reeves 7, b. April 7, 1830, m. Electa Thurston, July 3, 1856, d. Feb. 27, 1890.

Ch. 1. Asahel W. 8, b. May 11, 1857.
2. Edwin A. 8, b. July 27, 1858.
3. Mary Emma 8, b. Oct. 7, 1862.
4. Aldin Perry 8, b. July 24, 1866, d. March 2, 1891.
5. Belle 8, b. July 17, 1874.

Warren L. Reeves 7, m. Dec. 6, 1892, widow Margaret Ladou, 2d wife, d. October, 1895 ; m. Phebe M. Devereaux, 3d wife, June 17, 1897. Reside at the old Reeves homestead, Onoville, N. Y.

6. Benjamin Reeves 7, b. Dec. 8, 1831, d. January, 1891 ; unmarried.

7. Daniel F. Reeves 7, b. May 12, 1834, m. Sophronia Brace, March 31, 1866, b. March 19, 1846. Reside at Steamburg, N. Y. (1898.)

Ch. 1. Warren E. 8, b. Jan. 11, 1867.
2. George R. 8, b. Feb. 5, 1869.
3. Clinton E. 8, b. Dec. 2, 1872.
4. Daniel E. 8, b. Jan. 29, 1875.
5. John Brace 8, b. April 20, 1877.

8. Laura M. Reeves 7, b. Jan. 4, 1836, m. Benjamin Marsh, June 18, 1855. Reside in East Randolph, N. Y. (1898.)

Ch. 1. Marcellus F. 8, b. Sept. 23, 1857, d. Oct. 31, 1862.
2. Lizzie M. 8, b. Sept. 5, 1866.
3. George M. 8, b. Dec. 20, 1870.
4. Gertrude O. 8, b. Aug. 29, 1876.

9. Mary Jane Reeves 7, b. May 30, 1841, m. Jan. 21, 1860, John Archer, d. May 4, 1881. Reside in Randolph, N. Y. (1898.)

Ch. 1. Anson Benson 8, b. Oct 20, 1860, m. Gladys M. Record, Aug. 18, 1887.

Ch. Glendine 9, b. April 19, 1896.

2. Lewis John 8, b. May 12, 1862, m. Florence Sherman, Aug. 4, 1887.

Ch. Camilla 9, b. May 31, 1888.

3. Mary Bertha 8, b. Feb. 12, 1867, m. H. H. Shipherd, June 9, 1887.

Ch. Walter Haven 9, b. July 17, 1895.

4. Roy Roscoe 8, b. Dec. 23, 1872.

5. Carrie Blanche 8, b. July 10, 1877.

6. Clarence Archer 8, b. June 21, 1879, d. Oct 8, 1879.

Mary Beecher 6, (dau. of Ezra 5), b. in Southbury, 1801, died in New Haven, Nov. 15, 1872, aged 71, m. William Childs, perhaps, 1820, who died previous to 1830. Children:

Ch. 1. Martha 7, b. sup. 1821. No record. She married James Quin.

Ch. 1. Josephine 8.

2. James 8.

James Quin, Sen., died. Widow Martha Quin m. George W. Kittredge, b. 1832, d. Jan. 15, 1895, aged 63.

2. William Childs 7, b. 1823, d. in Chicago. Widow Mary Beecher Childs m. Capt. Asa Budington, Nov. 6, 1834, and resided on the corner of Union and Fair streets.

Betsy Beecher 6, (dau. of Ezra 5), b. 1802, d. in New Haven, March 5, 1882, aged 80, m. Lyman Johnson, April 16, 1822, b. 1801, d. in New Haven, Jan. 8, 1829, aged 28.

Ch. Mary Ann 7, b. in New Haven, April 15, 1825, m. in Bridgeport, Sept. 22, 1846, William R. Higby, b. Aug. 6, 1825, son of Henry Higby, b. Jan. 27, 1801.

Ch. 1. Martha Louisa 8, b. Jan. 14, 1848.
2. Henry Cornelius 8, b. Jan. 19, 1850, d. June 10, 1853.
3. Helen Augusta 8, b. May 23, 1860.

The life of William R. Higby and the insurance firm of Higby & DeForest, Connecticut Bank building, and the numerous positions of trust and responsibility to which he has been elected, and the various offices he has held, the high esteem and confidence reposed in him, by his exemplary life, are all fully set forth in, and are a part of the history of the City of Bridgeport.

Roxanna Beecher 6, (dau. of Ezra 5), b. 1806, d. in New Haven, Oct. 7, 1869, aged 63, m. Sept. 6, 1836, Joshua C. Sears, b. 1808, d. Oct. 23, 1842, aged 36.

Ch. 1. Elizabeth Beecher Sears 7, b. in New Haven, July 2, 1837, d. in Brooklyn, Feb. 17, 1895, aged 58, m. Charles E. Wilcox, Nov. 28, 1855.

Ch. 1. Lillie Louisa Wilcox 8, b. June 13, 1861, m. in Brooklyn, June 5, 1889, Fred. A. Bessey of Brooklyn.

Ch. 1. Elliott Rossiter 9, b. Oct. 27, 1890.
2. Palmer Quintard 9, b. May 17, 1896.
3. Harry Macgregor 9, b. June 9, 1897.

2. Charles C. Sears 7, b. in New Haven, May 8, 1841, d. Jan. 21, 1864, aged 23.

Caroline Beecher 6, (dau. of Ezra 5), b. 1810, d. in Camden, N. J., July 1885, m. in New Haven, June 21, 1829, Thomas Vorse, d. 1843.

Ch. 1. Charlotte Vorse 7, b. 1833, d. 1856; unmarried.
2. Mary A. Vorse 7, b. Feb. 20, 1835, m. Asa L. Curtis, May 23, 1855.

Ch. 1. Carrie Beecher 8, b. Oct. 28, 1860, m. Thomas B. Fitzgerald, March 6, 1888.
2. Charles Albert Beecher Curtis 8, b. Jan. 21, 1863.

Widow, Caroline Vorse, m. 2nd, 1854, Smith Bennett.

John Beecher 5 (son of John 4), b. in West Haven, 1772. Moved with the family to Southbury about 1792, and sold his share in the old homestead with the others in West Haven, cor. Campbell Ave. and Elm St., to Henry Ward, July 22, 1795. (New Haven Land Records, vol. 44, p. 139.)

Mary Beecher 5 (dau. of John 4), b. 1770, m. in Southbury, Nov. 26, 1789, Truman Bristoll, and resided in the southern part of Southbury. Several children were born to them. Lynde, dau., 6, d. Oct. 5, 1794, and Truman, son, 6, d. Oct. 25, 1800.

Mary Beecher Bristoll 5, d. Oct. 1, 1800.

Mary Beecher 5, (dau. of John 4), b. 1770, m. Truman Bristoll, Nov. 26, 1789. Resided in Southbury, d. Oct. 1, 1800.

The following record, written by Leavitt Bristoll, Nov. 9, 1877. Truman Bristoll m. Mary Beecher.

Ch. 1. Leavitt Bristoll 6.
2. Cyrus Bristoll 6.

Leavitt 6, m. Jan. 4, 1821, Salache Decker, she died June 6, 1859.

Ch. 1. John Decker Bristoll 7, m. Feb. 1, 1847, Mary Decker. Chil., 3 sons, 3 daughters.
2. Maria Bristoll 7, b. April, 1823, d. April 24, 1827.
3. Cyrus Beecher 7, b. Jan. 28, 1828, d. Jan. 23, 1847.
4. Peter Decker Bristoll 7, m. Nov. 17, 1864, Elizabeth Pudder; reside in Paterson, N. J; no issue.
5. Belinda Bristoll 7, m. Sept. 15, 1873, William Graves; no children.
6. Henry Harrison Farnum Bristoll 7, m. April 20, 1864, Anna Hopson; reside in Jersey City; 2 sons, 1 daughter; all died in less than 3 weeks with diptheria.
7. Amelia St. John Bristoll 7, m. May 22, 1861, John I. Busle. Ch., 2 sons, 2 daughters.
8. Joel Lyman Hoyt Bristoll 7, b. Oct. 1842, d. Nov. 17, 1843.

Cyrus Bristoll 6, son of Truman and Mary Beecher Bristoll 5, m. wife from Bedford, N. Y; resided in Viola and Monmouth, Ill. Subsequently moved to Iowa. Children, 4 sons, 2 daughters.

Ch. 1. Cyrus Beecher Bristoll 7.
2. Jotham Bristoll 7.
3. Leavitt Bristoll 7.
4. William Bristoll 7.
5. Maria Bristoll 7.
6. Sylvania Bristoll 7.

Cyrus, the eldest, enlisted in the 65th Regt. Ill. Volunteers, and was killed in the Civil War. He left 2 sons and 2 daughters. The two sons went to the northern part of Iowa. Cyrus 6, died there a few years previous to 1877.

Maria Bristoll 7. m. a Mr. Martin. Resided in Viola, Ill.

Sylvania 7, died young.

Alanson Beecher 5, (son of John 4), b. 1775, d. May 3, 1860, m. April 3, 1800, in Southbury, Anna Booth, b. Oct. 13, 1779, d. Oct. 15, 1820, dau. and 3d child of Elijah and Anna Hinman Booth, m. Oct. 14, 1772.

Ch. 1. Cornelia Beecher 6, b. Sept. 16, 1800.
2. Cyrus Beecher 6, b. Oct. 4, 1801.
3. John Wyllys Beecher 6, b. Nov. 2, 1803.

Cornelia Beecher 6, b. Sept. 16, 1800, m. George Canfield of South Britain, Aug. 13, 1824.

Ch. 1. Ann Eliza Canfield 7, b. Dec. 16, 1826, m. Samuel E. Everitt of Ellsworth, Conn., June 12, 1854, d. June 7, 1868.

Ch. 1. Mary E. Everitt 8, b. March 7, 1855, m. Frank E. Buckley, Oct. 16, 1878.

Ch. 1. Agnes Buckley 9, b. April 16, 1883, d. Aug. 14, 1883.
2. Mabel F. Buckley 9, b. Sept. 28, 1885.
3. Viola M. Buckley 9, b. Aug. 2, 1887.

2. George E. Everitt 8, b. Oct. 18, 1861, m. Minnie E. Hawley, Oct. 16, 1895.

Ch. 1. Ruth Esther Everitt 9, b. April 30, 1897.

2. John Beecher Canfield 7, b. April 6, 1828, d. June 7, 1868, m. Esther Bennett; no chil.; d. June 7, 1875.

3. Harriett C. Canfield 7, b. Oct. 1, 1829. Was 2d wife of Sylvester J. Bennett, m. Oct. 1, 1860.

Ch. 1. William Alanson 8, b. May 7, 1861, m. Fanny Green, May 30, 1892.

Ch. 1. George Bennett 9, b. Dec. 15, 1893.
2. Maud Pearl Bennett 9, b. Jan. 31, 1896.

2. Lucius Canfield Bennett 8, b. June 11, 1865.

3. James Sylvester Bennett 8, b. Feb. 2, 1868, m. Jesse Winship.

Ch. Sylvester.

4. Cornelia Helen Bennett 8, b. March 2, 1869, m. Howard Hicock, March 16, 1893.

Ch. 1. Harold Hicock 9, b. Jan. 20, 1894.
2. Howard Hicock 9, b. Jan. 4, 1895.
3. Erwin Hicock 9, b. Nov. 9, 1896.

4. Mary Elizabeth Canfield 7, b. April 18, 1836, was first wife of Sylvester J. Bennett, m. Aug. 31, 1854, d. Sept. 23, 1859.

Ch. 1. George C. Bennett 8, b. Aug. 14, 1855, d. July 11, 1866.
2. Hattie L. Bennett 8, b. June 22, 1857.
3. Mary E. Bennett 8, b. April 22, 1859, d. May 17, 1875.

5. George H. Canfield 7, b. Aug. 19, 1838, d. in Albany, N. Y., Jan. 26, 1891, m. Josephine Candee of Oxford, April 30, 1860.

Ch. 1. William H. Canfield 8, b. Nov. 12, 1861, d. April 13, 1865.

George H. Canfield 7, m. 2d wife, Celia F. Downs, April 11, 1871.

Ch. 1. Charles H. Canfield 8, b. Jan. 12, 1872.
2. Caroline, (twin with Charles), d. Aug. 18, 1872.
3. Willie H. Canfield 8, b. Nov. 22, 1879, d Dec. 16, 1880.

6. William H. Canfield 7, b. May 13, 1840. Was officer in Co. G, 11th Regt. Conn. Vols., d. at Hatteras Inlet, June 21, 1862

Mrs. H. C. Bennett, wife of Sylvester J. Bennett, is an ardent and enthusiastic Christian worker, and is greatly beloved and respected by all who associate with her in maintaining the principles of the Christian religion.

Alanson Beecher was a quiet, unassuming man, possessed of good judgment, and his opinions were universally sought and respected. He was a cooper and manufacturer of shingles. Owing to rheumatism, he used a cane in walking, and engaged in business favoring his condition.

Cyrus Beecher 6, son of Alanson 5, b. Oct. 4, 1801, d. Oct. 8, 1882, m. Phebe Parks of White Plains, N. Y., in 1841. She was b. 1805, d. July, 1853. He bought and lived in a house on the Old Field Road, in rear of the Ezra Beecher home, near his father's home, and near the White Oak School-house.

Rev. John Wyllys Beecher 6, (son of Alanson 5), b. in Southbury, Nov. 2, 1803, d. in Vernon Center, N. Y., Jan. 20, 1858, m. Sept. 4, 1838, Achsa Judson, dau. of Deacon Benjamin, b. in Woodbury, Ct., June 22, 1810.

Ch. 1. Stiles Minor 7, b. Feb. 18, 1835, d. July 17, 1878.

2. Rev. Willis Judson 7, b. April 29, 1838, prof. of Hebrew in Auburn Theological Seminary.

3. Lydia Velina 7, b. Sept. 18, 1839.

4. Rev. John Everitt 7, b. Jan. 22, 1842; unmarried.

5. Mary Adeline 7, b. Nov. 11, 1843; unmarried.

6. William Hart 7, b. Oct. 2, 1845, was a member of 15th New York Cavalry, G. A. R., d. June 1, 1864, during Civil War.

7. Rev. Wm. Alanson 7, b. Aug. 10, 1852. Rev. John, the mother widow Achsa, and daughter Mary, reside in Onondaga Valley, N. Y. (1898.)

Ch. 1. Stiles Minor 7, b. Feb. 18, 1835, d. July 17, 1878, m. Jan. 1, 1861, Julia L. Everitt of Ellsworth, Conn., b. Nov. 2, 1838.

Ch. 1. Cora Louisa 8, b. Oct. 24, 1864.

2. Florence Lorena 8, b. June 18, 1867.

3. Fannie Velina 8, b. March 26, 1871, d. July 7, 1874.

2. Rev. Willis Judson 7, m. June 14, 1865, Sara Marie Bolton of Ovid, N. Y., b. May 22, 1845, d. Dec. 4, 1892.

Ch. 1. Martha Leach 8, b. April 29, 1866, d. Dec. 1873.

2. Elizabeth 8, b. March 27, 1871, reside in Auburn, N. Y. (1898.)

3. Lydia Verona 7, m. Albert C. Mason of Galesburg, Ill., May 23, 1872, d. Dec. 15, 1887.

Ch. 1. John Beecher 8, b. Feb. 12, 1874, d July 20, 1880.
2. Mary Gertrude 8, b. Oct. 8, 1876.
3. Albert Willis 8, b. May 17, 1877.

Mary and Albert reside in Onondago Valley, N. Y. (1898.)

7. Rev. Willis Alanson 7, of Archibald, Pa., m. May 24, 1882, Caroline E. Knight, b. Oct. 15, 1859.

Ch. 1. Clova Achsa 8, b. May 7, 1883, d. 1887.
2. Edith May 8, b. June 18, 1885, d. 1887.
3. Willis Knight 8, b. Feb, 28, 1887.
4. Judson Hart 8, b. April 1, 1890.
5. Lida Lou 8, b. May 10, 1892.
6. Stuart 8, b. summer, 1895.

Cora Louisa Beecher 8, dau. of Stiles Minor 7, m. March 16, 1886, Bert J. Dodge of Vienna.

Ch. 1. Grace 9, b. Oct. 31, 1892.
2. Wardell Minor 9, b. Nov. 26, 1894,
3. Died in infancy, a son 9, b. June 5, 1897.

Florence Lorena 8, dau. of Stiles Minor 7, m. Sept. 24, 1891, Eugene Clark of Augusta.

Ch. 1. Alice Achsa 9, b. Sept 13, 1892.
2. Rollin 9, b. June 20, 1894.
3. Frances Eugene 9, b. Sept. 1896.

John Wheeler 1, of Stratford, removed early to that part of Woodbury which is now included in the town

of Southbury, and died May 12, 1704. He had by his wife Ruth 8 children. The 8th being John 2d, bapt. May, 1664, m. Ruth, dau. of Benjamin Stiles, Nov. 4, 1704, and d. May 19, 1727, had 10 children, the 8th being John 3d, b. March 5, 1720, m. Delilah Sanford, Jan. 1752. She d. Feb. 6, 1802. He d. May 22, 1811. John 3d, had 9 children. 1st, Ames 4, b. Jan. 18, 1753. 2d, Elizabeth 4, b. Oct. 11, 1754, m. in 1781, William Hues, (a Welsh name), he was of Welsh descent. (His son Reuben, m. Jane Beecher, dau. of Ezra, b. in West Haven.) The 9th child was John Wheeler 4, b. 1775, m. Oct. 31, 1804, Thankful Beecher 5, (dau. of John Beecher 4), of West Haven, b. Sept. 15, 1778.

Ch. 1. John L. Wheeler 6, b. July 31, 1805.
2. Francis 6, b. Feb. 28, 1808, d. unmarried, perhaps 1834.
3. Ransom B. 6, b. Jan. 25, 1810.
4. Philander 6, b. May 25, 1811, d. young.
5. Marietta 6, b. Dec. 2, 1812, d. young.
6. William E. 6, b. May 7, 1814.
7. Marietta T. 6, b. May 17, 1817.

John L. Wheeler 6, b. July 31, 1805, d. Oct. 1, 1855, m. in Southbury, Oct. 3, 1838, Mary Ann Barnes, b. Feb. 11, 1820, d. July 20, 1877.

Ch. 1. Mary Etta 7, b. March 21, 1840.
2. Meritt B. 7, b. May 30, 1841.
3. Frances H. 7, b. Aug. 8, 1843.
4. Adaline C. 7, b. Dec. 12, 1845.
5. Catharine A. 7, b. Jan. 13, 1848.
6. William C. 7, b. April 18, 1850.
7. Sarah M. 7, b. Oct. 11, 1852.
8. John R. 7, b. Jan. 25, 1855, d. Nov. 30, 1855.

Mary Etta Wheeler, m. Aug. 18, 1869, James Holran; no children.

Frances H. Wheeler 7, m. April 5, 1868, Sarah J. Smith.

Ch. 1. Dwight L. 8, b. June 9, 1869.
2. Arthur E. 8, b. May 25, 1878.

Merritt B. Wheeler 7, m. March 1, 1870.

Ch. 1. Addie 8, b. May 21, 1871.
2. Frances 8, b. Dec. 17, 1873.
3. Marcellus 8, b. Jan. 6, 1875.
4. Cora 8, b. Feb. 6, 1877.
5. John 8, b. March 21, 1879.
6. Meritt 8, b. May 13, 1881.
7. Dennis 8, (deceased), b. June 23, 1883.
8. Georgia 8, b. April 2, 1886.
9. Lena 8, (deceased), b. April 3, 1888.

Catharine A. Wheeler 7, m. June 11, 1877, Edward Bennett.

Ch. 1. Nellie 8, b. Aug. 28, 1878.
2. Eddie 8, b. Feb. 20, 1880.

William C. Wheeler 7, m. April 23, 1877, Jennie Duncan.

Ch. 1. Walter 8, b. Dec. 19, 1878.
2. James 8, b. Aug. 9, 1887.

Sarah M. Wheeler 7, m. 1st husband, Jeff. Hallock.

Ch. Howard R. 8, b. Aug. 27, 1890.
Sarah m. 2d husband Sept. 25, 1895, William Currey.

Ransom Beecher Wheeler 6, b. Jan. 25, 1810, d. April 19, 1889, m. Sarah Ann Bristoll, Jan. 29, 1831.

Ch. 1. Charles 7, b. Jan. 18, 1832, d. March 3, 1832.
2. Mary Marie 7, b. March 24, 1833.
3. Eliza Ann 7, b. July 3, 1834.
4. Ann Elizabeth 7, b. April 21, 1837, d. Jan. 15, 1860.
5. Amelia 7, b. July 20, 1840.
6. Dwight 7, b. Jan. 29, 1842.
7. Ophelia 7, b. May 12, 1844.
8. Daniel Morse 7, b. April 12, 1847.
9. Desmond Hawley 7, b. Sept. 13, 1849.
10. Clark H. 7, b. Oct. 9, 1852, d. Dec. 3, 1853.
11. David Clark 7, b. June 22, 1855.

Mary Marie 7, m. Leverett D. Warren, July 9, 1854.

Ch. 1. Wilbur Gleason 8, b. May 24, 1855, d. May 1, 1859.
2. Frank Beecher 8, b. Jan. 10, 1858. Had family children.
3. Ada Estelle 8, b. Dec. 25, 1859, d. Dec. 10, 1862.
4. Cora May 8, b. Nov. 15, 1870.

Eliza Ann 7, m. Harrison Smith, Aug. 17, 1856.

Ch. 1. Louisa Howard 8, b. July 6, 1858, d. March 12, 1862.
2. Lizzie Rennie 8, b. June 16, 1862. Had family children.
3. William Lincoln 8, b. Aug. 5, 1865. Had children.

Ann Elizabeth 7, m. Alphonse Marshall, Nov. 3, 1859.

Amelia 7, m. William Watson Sperry, Jan. 20, 1864.

Ch. 1. Ada Estelle 8, b. June 4, 1865. Had children.
2. Joseph Arnold 8, b. Aug. 13, 1869.

3. Desmond Clark 8, b. Dec. 30, 1872, d. April 30, 1873.
4. Ransom Wheeler 8, b. Sept. 25, 1875, d. March 11, 1879.
5. Mary Edna 8, b. May 7, 1880.

Dwight 7, married Emma Adeline Warner, Dec. 25, 1865.

Ophelia 7, m. James Goldsmith, Dec. 25, 1865.

Ch. 1. Minnie Etta 8, b. Oct. 2, 1866. Had fam. ch.
2. Nellie May 8, b. Dec. 18, 1870.
3. Daisy Myrtle 8, b. Jan. 22, 1876. Had fam. ch.
5. Ada Grace } 8, b. June 30, 1877, d. Sept.
6. Ida Belle } 16, 1877.
7. James Wheeler 8, b. Sept. 22, 1880.

Daniel Morse 7, m. Mary McOmond, April 11, 1894.

Ch. 1. Sara Irene 8, b. Feb. 16, 1895.

Desmond Hawley 7, m. Elsie Marie Bachelder, Jan. 4, 1881.

Ch. 1. Rena Belle 8, b. Sept. 25, 1883, d. July 25, 1892.
2. Adelaide Louisa 8, b. Nov. 3, 1886.

David Clark 7, m. Margaret Veronica Dougherty, June 30, 1878.

Ch. 1. Desmond John 8, b. May 19, 1879, d. Nov. 14, 1881.
2. Katharine Emma 8, b. Oct. 2, 1880.
3. Dwight Clark 8, b. Oct. 19, 1882.
4. John Audubon 8, b. Dec. 29, 1884, d. Nov. 5, 1887.
5. Gertrude Belle 8, b. Oct. 24, 1888.

William E. Wheeler 6, b. May 7, 1814, d. April 2, 1888, aged 73 years 10 months, m. in Seymour, June 17, 1836, Ruth Ann Scott, b. Sept. 28, 1814, d. Nov. 8, 1888, aged 74.

Ch. 1. Frances Marie 7, b. Sept. 12, 1837, m. in Naugatuck, Ct., Nov. 8, 1886, Luther Baldwin of Naugatuck.

2. Catharine Anna 7, b. Oct. 25, 1838, in South Britain, Ct., m. in Southbury, Conn., Sept. 26, 1857, Charles Lyman Norton of Litchfield, Ct.

Ch. 1. Cora Bell 8, b. July 17, 1858, m. in New Britain, Ct., July 26, 1882, Charles D. Barnes of New Haven, Ct.

2. Jennie Anna 8, b. Feb. 16, 1861, d. Oct. 26, 1864.

3. Charles Edward 8, b. July 25, 1866, d. Feb. 9, 1868.

4. Edward Wheeler 8, b. Feb. 4, 1874, m. in Hartford, Ct., Oct. 20, 1895, Charlotte F. Mason of Springfield, Mass.

Ch. Verona Belle 9, b. Aug. 13, 1896.

3. John William Wheeler 7, b. Jan. 1, 1840, d. 1860.

4. Julia Elizabeth Wheeler 7, b. April 15, 1844, d. Feb. 16, 1898, m. by Rev. Edward Beardslee in New Haven, John W. Plumb, Jan. 7, 1869. No children.

5. Edward Scott Wheeler 7, b. March 9, 1847, m. in Winsted, Ct., Susan Feeter, April 14, 1870.

John Wheeler 4, m. Thankful Beecher 5. Was a farmer, and resided about one mile directly west of the

Cong. church in Southbury, on an elevation on the west side of the Pomperaug Valley, on a road but little used, leading over the hills to South Britain. A thrifty elm tree of immense dimensions stood on the lawn in front of the house. He was a man much respected and was frequently elected to many important offices of trust by his fellow-townsmen, who reposed great confidence in his integrity and ability.

His daughter, Marietta T. Wheeler 6, b. May 17, 1817, m. Dr. Wm. Catlin in 1840, and soon after removed to New Carlisle, Ohio, where he practiced his profession.

Thankful Beecher 5, m. Oct. 31, 1804. Her husband d. in 1846. After a few years she chose a permanent home in her old age with her daughter in Ohio. She had many years given the strongest evidence of deep, soul-seated Christian character. She d. April 15, 1871, aged 93 years and 7 months. In later years, Dr. and Mrs. Catlin removed to Cleveland, Ohio, where they died. Mrs. Catlin in youth was an accomplished violinist.

David Beecher 5, son of John 4, b. in West Haven in 1782, d. in Southbury, May 30, 1849, aged 67, m. Rachel ——, b. 1785, d. March 7, 1845. He was the youngest son of John and Mary Trowbridge Beecher that arrived to manhood, and was but 4 years of age at the death of his father, Nov. 3, 1786, and about 10 at the removal to Southbury in 1792. His brother Isaac, b. Feb. 8, 1787, d. May 8, 1792, near the time of the exodus to Southbury. David was a shoe manufacturer, a man of strong positive character, highly respected, a good citizen, and prominent in society and religious work, and precentor in all religious conference meetings.

Ch. 1. Merritt A. 6, b. July 3, 1804.

He was also a shoe manufacturer and resided with his father until 30 years of age.

He went to the western country, since which time but little has been known of him.

2. Sarah Marie Beecher 6, b. Feb. 6, 1806.

3. Erastus D. Beecher 6, b. July 14, 1814, d. Sept. 25, 1820.

Sarah Marie 6, b. Feb. 6, 1806, m. John D. Leavenworth, Sept. 12, 1825. He was the 6th in descent from Thomas Leavenworth the 1st of Woodbury, who was the ancestor of all bearing the name in this country. Thomas, the 1st son : Thomas, 2d ; John, 3 ; John, 4 ; Russell, 5 ; John D. 6, b Jan. 2, 1803, m. Sarah Marie Beecher in Southbury and moved into Fairfield County and was, in 1830, with his brother Mark, a merchant in Monroe, Ct. He was a tailor and lived in Bridgeport, Ct., in 1873.

Ch. 1. Sarah Marie 7, b. June 10, 1826, d. at Stepney, Ct., June 14, 1848, m. Samuel Wakely of Stepney, Ct.

Ch. Sarah Marie 8, m. Wm. Wheaton of Bridgeport, Ct.

2. Charles Deforest 7, b. May 18, 1828.

Ch. 1. Charles D. F. 8, d. aged 20.

2. Florence 8, m. Edward Nichols of Stepney, Ct. Reside at Hopewell Junction, N. Y. (1898.)

3. Howard M. 8, and

4. Edgar J. 8. They reside in Seymour, Ct. (1898.)

3. John Merritt 7, b. June 2, 1839, m. and d. without children, about 1867.

Erastus D. Beecher 6, b. July 14, 1814, d. Sept. 25, 1820.

William Hues, as his name indicates, was of Welsh descent, (pronounced Huce), in later years it became changed to Hughes.

It is said that in some villages in Wales, at that time, the name of Hues numerically exceeded all other names.

William Hues m. in Southbury, 1781, Elizabeth Wheeler, b. Oct. 11, 1754. She was the 2d child of John Wheeler, b. March 5, 1720, d. May 22, 1811. Who married, Jan. 3, 1752, Delilah Sanford. The 9th child was John Wheeler, b. 1775, m. Thankful Beecher 5, b. in West Haven, Sept. 15, 1778.

The children of William and Elizabeth Wheeler Hues, born in Southbury, were as follows:

Ch. 1. Polly Hughes, b. June 13, 1781, d. Feb. 18, 1837, m. Aug. 4, 1799, Ashbel Dunning, b Oct. 5, 1780, d. Feb. 21, 1855.

2. Daniel Hughes, b. in Southbury. Left his native home early in life for the western country, and no tidings has ever been received of him.

3. Ruth Ann Hughes, b. March 1, 1789, d. in 1876, aged 87. Married in Watertown, Sept. 19, 1813, Herman Stoddard, b. Sept. 28, 1790, d. Feb. 25, 1853, aged 63. Resided and children b. in Woodbury.

4. Reuben Hughes, b. Dec. 2, 1791, d. April 4, 1837, aged 45 yrs. 4 mo., m. Sept. 16, 1811, Jane Beecher 6, b. June 13, 1792, d. in New Haven, July 9, 1869. Had 12 children recorded under Jane Beecher Hughes.

He was a good mechanic and excelled in athletic feats, but met with accidents, one of which crushed his right hand in a machine he had invented for dressing flax. He rendered valuable assistance to Rev. Mr. Wildman, pastor of First Church in Southbury, in conducting religious meetings.

Herman Stoddard was the son of Eli, b. June 17, 1748, m. Abigal Hurlburt. Herman, the 8th child, b. Sept. 28, 1790, d. Feb. 25, 1853, m. Sept. 19, 1813, at Watertown, Ct., Ruth Ann Hughes, b. in Southbury, (dau. of Wm. Hues), March 1, 1789, d. 1876, aged 87.

Ch. 1. Elizabeth Ann, b. June 19, 1814, m. Wm. Curtiss March 20, 1839; m. 2d, —— Treat.
2. William, b. Jan. 10, 1816, d. 1818.
3. Laura Sabrina, b. July 1, 1817, m. Phineas Alonzo Judson, Oct. 18, 1837.
4. Sherman Bennett, b. Aug. 11, 1821, m. Mary Ann Harger, 1843.
5. Herman Wheeler, b. July 6, 1823, m. Eliza Ann Roberts, 1845.
6. Mary Maria, b. April 6, 1825, d. Feb. 17, 1888. m. Fred. P. Gorham of New Haven, 1848.
7. Samuel Hughes, b. Dec. 19, 1827, d. 1829.
8. Sarah Abigal, b. July 15, 1829, m. Daniel C. Frost, 1846.
9. Charlotte Amanda, b. March 4, 1837.

Phineas Alonzo Judson, (son of Rev. Albert of Philadelphia), b. Jan 28, 1813, m. Laura Sabrina Stoddard, dau. of Herman and Ruth Ann Hughes Stoddard, Oct. 18, 1837.

Ch. 1. Ellen Antoinette, b. July 21, 1838, m. George D. Lambert, Oct. 18, 1858.

Ch. Frank Judson, b. Oct. 19, 1862, d. April 26, 1888.

Ellen Antoinette d. March 5, 1878.

George D. Lambert, was a man highly esteemed for his upright, conscientious life, and integrity of character.

2. John B. Judson, b. July 1, 1842, m. Isadore Charlotte Merwin.

Ch. 1. John Edwin, b. June 22, 1866, m. Minnie A. Holmes, Dec. 1, 1893.

Ch. 1. Helen E. Holmes, b. Nov. 30, 1894.
2. John Holmes, b. Feb. 15, 1898.

2. Florence Isadore, b. May 17, 1869, m. Arthur Stanley Bradley, Oct. 20, 1893.

Ch. Judson Stanley Bradley, b. May 19, 1896.

3. Anna Gertrude Judson, b. Aug. 13, 1871.
4. Theodore Phineas, b. Dec. 18, 1874.

John B. Judson has been many years a successful merchant in New Haven and has won the confidence and respect of his numerous patrons.

Mary Maria, b. April 6, 1825, m. Fred P. Gorham, 1848. She d. Feb. 17, 1888.

Ch. 1. Ruth.
2. Frederick.
3. Charlotte.

The son was educated in chemistry and is in the drug business.

The daughters have attained enviable positions as teachers in New Haven City public schools.

Polly Hughes, b. in Southbury, (dau. of Wm. Hues), June 13, 1871, d. Feb. 18, 1839, aged 58, m. Ashbell Dunning, Aug. 4, 1799, son of Michael and Anna Starr Dunning. He was b. Oct. 5, 1780, d. Feb. 21, 1855.

Ch. 1. Clark Smith Dunning, b. March 20, 1800.
2. John Sanford Dunning, b. Jan. 24, 1806.
3. Olivett Dunning, b. Aug. 24, 1807.
5. William Madison Dunning, b. June 27, 1810.
6. Ashbell Wheeler Dunning, b. Feb. 17, 1814.

Clark Smith, b. in Brookfield, Conn., m. in Westville, Nov. 6, 1820.

Ch. 1. Antionette.
2. Florence.

John Sanford Dunning, m. Nov. 17, 1826.

Olivet Dunning, b. Aug. 24, 1807, m. Isaac Lockwood, Dec. 31, 1829. She d. May 4, 1873.

Ch. 1. Homer Lockwood, dec'd.
2. Clark Lockwood, dec'd.
3. Harmon Stoddard, now living in Brookfield. (1898.)

William Madison Dunning, b. in Brookfield, June 27, 1810, died in Bridgeport, Aug. 9, 1878, m. Sept. 4, 1831, Amelia Louisa Irish, b. July 19, 1810, d. in Brooklyn, Dec. 21, 1885.

Ch. 1. Amelia Louisa, b. Feb. 11, 1833, d. March 31, 1897, m. Joseph Clark, March 15, 1853.
2. William Henry, b November 25, 1834, d. May 2, 1885.
3. Edward Augustus, b. April 24, 1837, d. March 23, 1888.

4. Margaret Jane, b. Dec. 3, 1839, m. Thomas C. Scott, Dec. 20, 1865, d. Dec. 17, 1876.
5. Charles Frederick, b. Feb. 2, 1842, m. Elizabeth Burns, d. Dec. 8, 1888.
6. John Winthrop, b. March 9, 1843, m. Sarah Harper, d. March 12, 1885.
7. Caroline Augusta, b. July 19, 1845, m. Frederick Standish, April 17, 1864. (9 children, 6 living, 1898.)
8. George Taylor, b. Dec. 5, 1847, m. Rose Rieley.
9. Mary Antionette, b. Aug. 9, 1850, m. Francis Hubbell, Dec. 31, 1873.
10. Isabel Tamer, b. Nov. 4, 1853, m. Chas. O. Applebee, Feb. 19, 1884.

Ch. 1. Clara Evelyn, b. Dec. 30, 1844.
2. Vera Louisa, b. June 19, 1889.

Ashbel Wheeler Dunning, b. Feb. 17, 1814, m. Oct. 5, 1834, d. Feb. 24, 1836.

Amelia Louisa Dunning, b. in Bridgeport, Feb. 11, 1833, d. March 31, 1897, m. Joseph Clark, b. in Bridgeport, April 26, 1830.

Ch. 1. Sarah Louisa, b. in Bridgeport, Jan. 12, 1854.
2. Mary Dunning, b. April 30, 1855.
3. Margaret Hawley, b. Jan. 10, 1857.
4. William Joseph, b. July 4, 1859.
5. Charles Travis, b. Feb. 17, 1861. (Last four born in Port Chester.)

Margaret Hawley Clark, b. Jan. 10, 1857, m. Herbert Standish Childs, b. April 27, 1857, in Bridgeport, Nov. 2, 1891.

Ch. Ethel Louisa, b. in Bridgeport, June 5, 1893.

William Joseph Clark, b. July 4, 1859, m. Gertrude Elizabeth Dorsett, b. May 29, 1866.

Ch. 1. Grace, b. Aug. 10, 1887, d. Aug. 21, 1888.
2. Wm. Joseph, b. Oct. 10, 1894.

We close this Record of a part of the Beecher Family, by sincerely thanking all who have given any information necessary to its compilation, and hope it will afford pleasure and gratification to all who may peruse its pages, and believe they may justly indulge in a feeling of pride, knowing that the Beechers have produced many of the finest types of the human family.

Mass. Col. Records Vol. 1. p. 147.

"1635. May 6. Mr. Thos. Beecher, chosen Capt of the fort att Castle Island (Boston harb) Mr. Tho. Newberry is chosen overseer of the worke att Castle Island in room Roger Ludlow Esqr. and it is ordered that hee shall have the same power to preese men for the worke that Mr. Ludlow had, as also to preese Carts for such allowance as hee thinks meete"

"1635. July 8. (p. 149) Mr. Treasurer, Mr. Dummer, Mr. Newberry, Mr. Beecher and Robert Moulton, a Committee to draw up an Order about Swine and return the same to this Court."

[illegible] Joseph Mary [illegible] of Arundel and Surrey, the only son of the Duke of Norfolk, was buried last Friday by his mother's side in Fitzalan chapel, above the grounds of Arundel Castle.

It was a sad and solemnly impressive ceremony, the more pathetic and the more impressive because the young earl, who died in his twenty-third year, on Tuesday last after an illness that began with chill, was laid to rest with all the beauties of the Roman Catholic ritual for children and those who die in innocence.

To the chanting of a psalm the body was borne from the castle to the church of St. Philip. And while the little carriage moved slowly on its way mass was said within the church. All the priests and all the choristers wore white vestments. The Bishop of Southwark, in Cardinal Vaughan's absence abroad through ill-health, sat before the altar on his throne.

The service being that for children, including joyful psalms, the white-robed choir [illegible] lighted candles in their hands as they [illegible]. First to file out of the west door were the children of the duke's estate who held the faith of Rome. The boys had white sashes over their little shoulders, while the girls wore white dresses and white veils. Next came the mayor and members of the city of Westminster Corporation in their red robes, a great company of priests, with monks and sisters of various orders and the bishop blessing the people as he passed.

The duke, who loved his son with such devotion, walked close behind the coffin under the pall, with bowed head and face full of grief. His sister, the sweet-faced Lady Mary, who gave up society, to tend the young earl, walked near him. There were Lord Edmund Talbot, now the heir, Earl Denbigh, who was present in the King's behalf, the Marquis of [illegible] and a small [illegible] of well-known people who had come down from [illegible].

The long procession moved along the strip of [illegible] road to the gates of the great [illegible] castle, which stands high upon the [illegible] the great [illegible] of the park. There [illegible] across the courtyard to the chapel, where the last [illegible] of the service was [illegible] benediction given, the coffin of [illegible] earl [illegible] into the vault, to

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SCOTCH REGALIA RING

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